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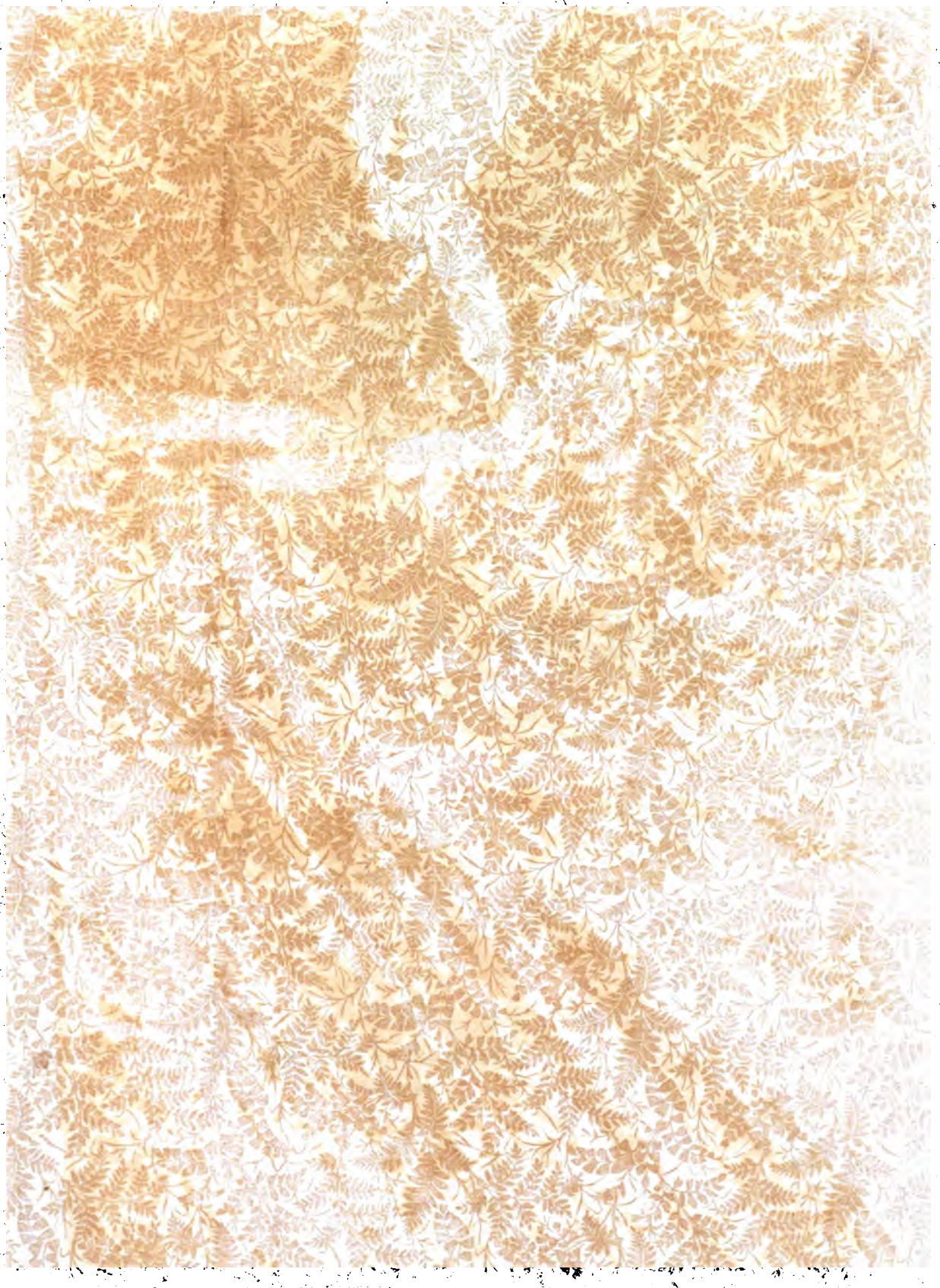

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The Surname Archer.

INTRODUCTION.

THE notices of any particular surname, scattered throughout the records of past centuries, although unassociated with any prominent historical events, and seldom occurring, save in the pages of the County historian, may yet acquire, by their union in a collective form, a certain amount of interest, as illustrating the fortunes of a member of the common family.

The Anglo-Norman Surname Archer, was not uncommon in the seventeenth century. Several families of local distinction, bore it in various parts of England, and amongst them, the principal was that of Umberslade, in Warwickshire, a family much more widely spread, than might be supposed, and the only one, of any note, which, unlike those of Coopersale, Lizard, Stoke-Archer, and Dover, is certainly, not extinct, although in the person of Andrew, second and last Lord Archer, the senior male line expired, in the year 1778.[1]

The following are "arms" assigned to various families of the name:—

1. Archer, Cornwall—sable, a chevron between 3 broad arrows argent (the Lizard).
2. Archer, Trelaske, Cornwall—sab. a chev. engr. betw. 3 pheons or.
3. Archer, Essex—azure, a garb erect or betw. 2 laurel branches, tied by a ribbon in base on a chief emb. arg. 3 arrows, points down, betw. 8 ermine spots, two and two, in pale sable. Granted to T. Archer, of Chelmsford, in 1828.
4. Archer, Essex—ermine, on a chief azure, 3 lions rampant or. (Spelt also "Aucher.")
5. Archer, Essex—ermine, a cross sable.
6. Archer, Essex—erm. on a cross sable, a cresc^{t}. argent.

[1] Burke—Jacob, &c.

7. Archer, Lincoln—per pale gules and azure, 3 arrows or, barbed and feathered arg. Granted 24 March, 1684—crest, a dragon's head per pale, gules and azure, wings expanded, out of a mural crown, per pale, of last and third—to Robert Archer of Wainfleet.
8. Archer, Salop—sable, a lion rampant or.
9. Archer of Umberslade, Warwickshire—azure, 3 broad arrows or. Confirmed in 1597.

   Arms of *Achard*—1. Or, a bend engr. sable.
   2. Gyronny of 6 argent and gules, a label of 5 points azure.
   3. Barry wavy of 6 argent and gules, a label of 5 points azure.
10. Archer—gules, 3 arches single or. This name appears rather to be Arches; the arms are quartered by Carew, and other old Devonshire families.
11. Archer—or, five fusils in bend sable.
12. Archer—azure, 3 arrows in pale argent.
13. Archer—argent, 3 pheons gules.
14. Archer—sable, 3 pheons argent.
15. Archer of Neithorp[1] (Herald's Visitation,—Brit. Museum), variation of Umberslade, quartering "Hulehale," "Sawcey," "Clebury," "Canke," and "Delamere," the whole charged in the nombril point with a cresc^{t}. for diff., the same difference being charged on the neck of the wyvern in the crest. No motto.
16. Archer (Lawrence-Archer), Scotland—per fesse, azure and argent, in chief 3 arrows or, in base a cross, raguly gules thereon a saltire of the third.
17. Archard, Yorkshire—or, 5 fusils in bend, sable.
18. Archard—argent 5 fusils in cross sable.
19. Awger or Ager, (or Aucher?) Kent and Glo'ster—ermine on a chief azure a lion rampt. arg.

[1] *Neithorp*, *Neithropp*, or *Netherthorpe*, Oxfordshire.

N.B.—Although there is a sketch of Archer of Neithorp's arms, representing the paternal quarter, the same as that of Archer of Umberslade, the MS. itself has in writing, these words:—

Arms.—Three arrows reversed on a field argent.
Crest.—A griffin's head, from a castellated coronet.

Archer of Umberslade.

LIKE the origin of most of the patronymics of the earlier period of Anglo-Norman history, that of Archer appears to be involved in some obscurity; and it is doubtful whether the armorial bearings of the family were derived from the name, and that again from an occupation or profession, or were assumed either in fanciful reference to the name, or in allusion to the tenure by which John Archer, Champion to Thomas Earl of Warwick, held his estates of that noble—namely, by the annual payment of twelve broad arrows.

Robert L'Archer is sometimes styled, in the old charters of his time, Robertus Sagittarius,[1] which seems to give weight to the supposition that the name was derived from the warlike profession of its founder; and even so late as the reign of Louis XV., the French families of Archet[2] and L'Archer bore for their arms bows and arrows in variation.[3]

[1] Dugdale.

[2] A heraldic work, printed at Lyons. *Temp.* Louis XV.

There was a castle in Poitou called "Châtel l'Archer," which (*circa* 1373, *vide* Froissart) was held by the Lady Plainmartin, wife of Sir Guiscard d'Angle, afterwards Earl of Huntingdon (Froissart).

"The Archers of Lyons were Marshal's men, called 'Gens de Marechaussée.' William the Conqueror had a number of them at the battle of Hastings. It is supposed that the Norman Archers shot with an Arbalest."—Ency. Brit. 1797.

Sir John Fortescue, and Philip de Comines, mention the excellence of the English archers, as, indeed, do most writers.

[3] With reference to "Robertus Sagittarius," "Richard Achard," or "Robert L'Archer," to whom K. Hen. I. made a grant of seven manors in Berkshire, including "*Spersholt*" and "Aldermanston," the following extracts from Clarke's "Parochial Topography of the Hundred of Wanting," &c. (Oxf. 1824), may serve to elucidate the subject:—

1. "The manor of *Spersholt* formed part of the royal demesne, till Henry I. (Madox, Hist. Exchcq.) gave it with divers others to *Richard Achard*. His son *William Achard* held three knights' fees in Berkshire of the king *in capite* in 1166. *Peter Achard* died seized of it (Spersholt) in 1278, *Robert Achard* in 1299, and another Robert Achard in 1353."—(Liber Niger Saccarii).

We find the following with reference to one of the earlier founders of this family while yet in Normandy:—"In 1092, the friends of Henry the son of King William, obtained possession of the castle of Domfront. Its inhabitants pitying the misfortunes of the illustrious exile, sent one *Harecher* to invite him out of France," *i.e.* into Normandy. "This person," says M. le Prevost, "was not called 'Harchier,' but 'Archard.'"[1] Mr. Stapleton thinks our author was correct in writing it "Harecherius," and considers that word synonymous with Archarius, which frequently appears in the Rolls of the Exchequer. We find there a Richard Archarius and a Richard de Domfront, whom he considers the same person. This inhabitant of Domfront received, from the gratitude of Henry I., seven manors in Berkshire. This grant is made to him under the name of Robert the Archer, and Henry calls him "Magister Meus." Wace, who calls him "Haschier,"[2] adds that it was to Paris he went to give the invitation of his friends at Domfront to the young prince. He was descended from another Achard, who appears as witness to the charter of the foundation of Soúloi, in 1026, with this description, "Achardus, dives miles de Donnifronte."

In the Roll of Battle Abbey this name is written Archere.

Such are the conflicting opinions as to the origin of a name, yet much of the difficulty may safely be attributed to the incorrect and variable orthoepy of that comparatively remote period, when the simplest names were strangely metamorphosed by the barbarous Latinity then used, and which, after the lapse of centuries, cannot always be restored with precision, even by the tedious and analogical process of the antiquarian.

2. "In 1292 *Robert Achard* had a grant of free warren for the manors of *Spersholt*, Estmanton, and Westcote, which was confirmed by patent in 1402."

3. "In 1221 *Robert Achard* was rated at 30^{s}. for fifteen carucates of land in *Spersholt*, and 5$_{s}$· and viii^{d}. for two carucates and three quarters in Westcote."—Rot. Chart. 20 Edw. I.

4. "In the Church of the Holy Cross at *Spersholt* occur blazoned on the windows the arms of *Achard*—viz., or, a bend lozengy, sable."

5. "*Temp.* Edw. I. Sir Robt. Achard, Kt. of the shire. Arms—or, une bende sable, engraileé."

From the above it might be supposed that Robertus Sagittarius, Richard Achard, and Robert L'Archer, were not, as held by most antiquaries, one and the same person, and that, consequently, L'Archer and Achard are not merely variations of the same name. Moreover, it is not improbable that Robertus Sagittarius had no armorial bearings, but that his descendants at *Spersholt* and at *Omberslade* subsequently assumed or were granted theirs.

[1] History of the Normans: notes—Ordericus Vitalis.

[2] In the Anglo-Saxon poem of Beowulf occurs the name of *Æschere*, Prime Minister of Frothgar, King of Denmark.

Guillim and other heraldic authorities have maintained as more honourable, those armorial achievements derived from warlike pursuits, and especially offensive arms, such as the three broad arrows of "Archer." [1]

In a royal summons to the defence of the Isle of Ely, so early as the reign of Henry V., Richard Archer of Umberslade is styled "One that did bear ancient arms from his ancestors." [2]

The motto assumed, at a later period, by this family, "Sola bona quæ honesta," was that of the Emperor Ludovick IV. of Germany.[3]

Having thus briefly sketched the origin of the family of Archer of Umberslade, we shall now proceed to give some account of its possessions, in England, with other details, from more modern and authentic sources.

[1] Guillim's Heraldry.
[2] A very old Peerage, without title-page; also Burke, &c.
[3] Notes and Queries.

[FROM SIR WILLIAM DUGDALE'S "ANTIQUITIES OF THE COUNTY OF WARWICK."]

"Barlichway Hund. **Umberslade.** Psh. Tanworth.

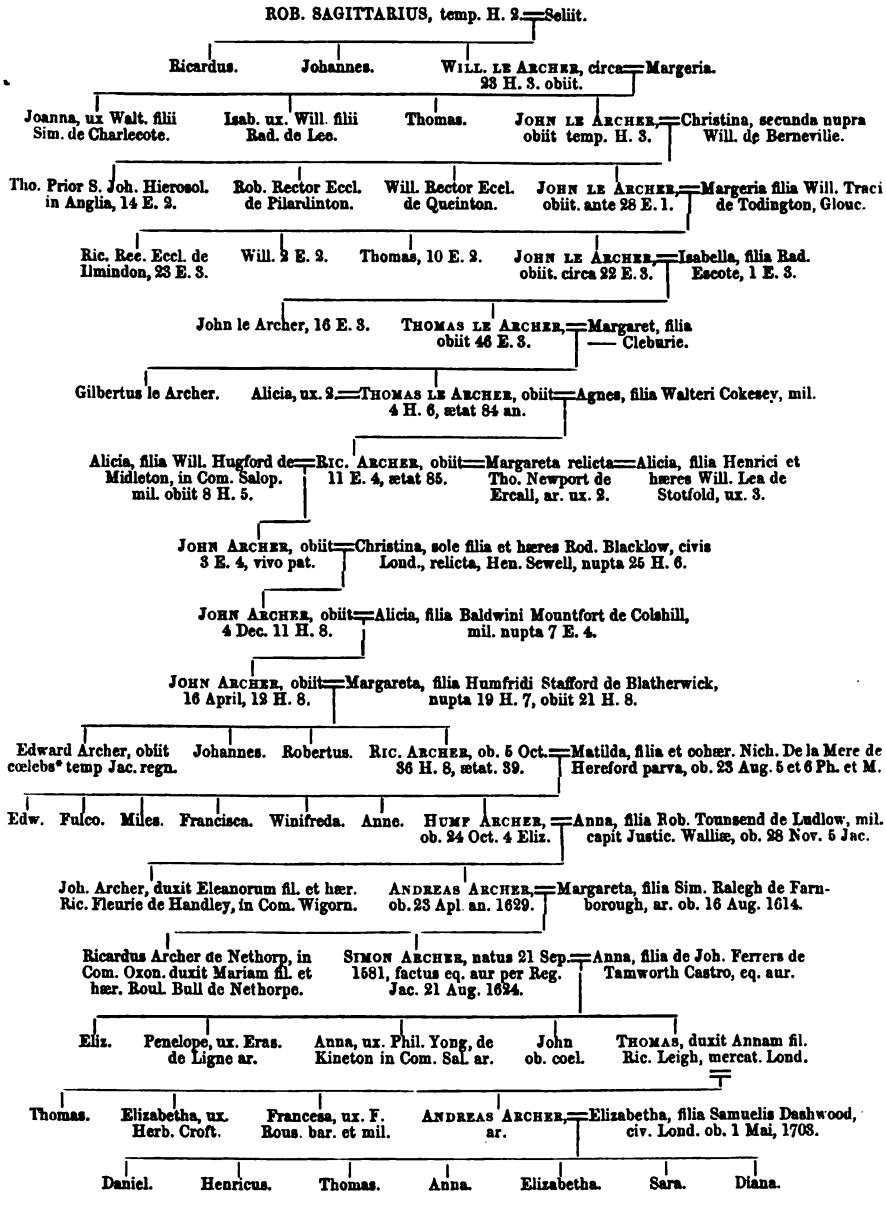
"This being onely an antient Mannour House, was in H. 2 time partly given by Henry de Vilers (Sewer to Will. Earl of Warwick) unto Rob. Archer and Seliit his wife, and to the heirs of Seliit (in which grant it is termed 'Terra de Umberslade'), and the said Robert, called Rob. Sagittarius, and partly by Roger de Hulehale to her the said Seliit onely. From which Robert and Seliit I have on the next page[1] represented the lineall descendants with their matches, clearly warranted from the originall charters, and evidences of this antient family, whose principall seat it still continues.[2]

"Of William, the son to Rob. and Seliit,[3] I find that he had a grant of much land here in Tanworth, by Waleran Earl of Warwick, about the beginning of K. John's reign, which is set forth by speciall boundaries, according to the use of those times; and likewise a Bull[4] from Pope Gregory the IXth, for a peculiar chapell at this place, bearing date in 19 H. 3. In the windows whereof are yet standing, and of no less antiquity than E. 3 time, the arms of Beauchamp Earl of Warwick, Clinton Earl of Huntingdon, as also of this family, as they were then set up in glass: which Will. left issue John, who, being Champion[5] to Thomas Earl of Warwick, obtained a speciall charter[6] from the said Earl to himself and his heirs, for freedom to hauk and hunt everywhere within the territories of Tanworth excepting the Park, and to exercise all other liberties belonging to the said Earl within Monkspath and Ombreslade, paying therefore unto him and his heirs xii broad arrow-heads and a couple of capons at

[1] For the Genealogical Table here referred to, see p. 8.
[2] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A.
[3] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A.
[4] Ibid.
[5] Ibid.
[6] Ibid.

Whitsontide yearly. This John had issue John and divers other children, whereof Thomas was Lord Prior[1] of the Hospitall of St. John of Jerusalem in England in 14 E. 2, which John the younger matching with Margery the daughter of Sir Will. Traci of Todington in Gloucestershire (an eminent family in those parts), left issue John and Thomas. Of which Thomas, I find that, having been in that rebellion with Thomas Earl of Lancaster in E. 2 time, he obtained a pardon[2] by the means and intercession of his uncle the Prior of St. John's.[3] But to the before-specified John succeeded Thomas; and to him another Thomas, who, by his deed bearing date the Munday next after the Feast of the Purification of Our Lady 49 E. 3, did, for the reverence he bore to the said blessed Virgin, as also to S. Thomas the Martyr, and all saints, and for the health of his and his wife's souls, and of the souls of Thomas le Archer his father, Margaret his mother, his ancestors, and heirs, and all the faithfull deceased, grants license to Ric. de Montfort and others to amortize certain lands lying in Tanworth, and held of him for the founding of a Chantrie in the Chapell of Our Lady and S. Thomas the Martyr within the Church of Lapworth (as I shall there more fully show), which Thomas was one of the Esquires to Thomas de Beauchamp Earl of Warwick, as appears by the said Earl's grant,[4] bearing date at Worcester 20 Martii 1 R. 2, whereby he conferred upon him, by the title of 'dilecto nobis scutifero Thomæ le Archer pro bono et laudabili servicio quod nobis impendit et impendit in futurum' (for so are the words of his charter), a certain yearly rent of *cis.* iiii*d.*, issuing out of sundry tenements of the said Earl in Worcester, to enjoy during his life; and in 21 R. 2,[5] was in commission for the assessing and collecting a XVth and Xth, then granted to the King in Parliament. This Thomas wedded Agnes the daughter[6] to Sir Walter Cokesey of Worcestershire, and had a speciall indulgence[7] from Pope Boniface IXth for the making choice of a confessor that might pronounce plenary remission to them of all their sins, whereof, with contrite hearts, they should make confession at the time of their deaths.

[1] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A. [2] Pat. 16 E. 2, 1 p. M. 11. [3] Pen. Camer. Scac. in baga de Catesby.
[4] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A. [5] Rot. F. 21 R. 2, M. 12. [6] Ex autog. pen. eund. S. A. [7] Ibid.


ROB. SAGITTARIUS, temp. H. 2.
Seliit.
Ricardus.
Johannes.
WILL. LE ARCHER, circa 28 H. 3. obiit.
Margeria.
Joanna, ux Walt. filii Sim. de Charlecote.
Isab. ux. Will. filii Rad. de Lee.
Thomas.
JOHN LE ARCHER, obiit temp. H. 3.
Christina, secunda nupra Will. de Bernevilie.
Tho. Prior S. Joh. Hierosol. in Anglia, 14 E. 2.
Rob. Rector Eccl. de Pilardinton.
Will. Rector Eccl. de Quceinton.
JOHN LE ARCHER, obiit. ante 28 E. 1.
Margeria filia Will. Traci de Todington, Glouc.
Ric. Rec. Eccl. de Ilmindon, 23 E. 3.
Will. 2 E. 2.
Thomas, 10 E. 2.
JOHN LE ARCHER, obiit. circa 22 E. 3.
Isabella, filia Rad. Escote, 1 E. 3.
John le Archer, 16 E. 3.
THOMAS LE ARCHER, obiit 46 E. 3.
Margaret, filia — Cleburie.
Gilbertus le Archer.
Alicia, ux. 2.
THOMAS LE ARCHER, obiit 4 H. 6, ætat 84 an.
Agnes, filia Walteri Cokesey, mil.
Alicia, filia Will. Hugford de Midleton, in Com. Salop. mil. obiit 8 H. 5.
RIC. ARCHER, obiit 11 E. 4, ætat 85.
Margareta relicta Tho. Newport de Ercall, ar. ux. 2.
Alicia, filia Henrici et hæres Will. Lea de Stotfold, ux. 3.
JOHN ARCHER, obiit 3 E. 4, vivo pat.
Christina, sole filia et hæres Rod. Blacklow, civis Lond., relicta, Hen. Sewell, nupta 25 H. 6.
JOHN ARCHER, obiit 4 Dec. 11 H. 8.
Alicia, filia Baldwini Mountfort de Colshill, mil. nupta 7 E. 4.
JOHN ARCHER, obiit 16 April, 13 H. 8.
Margareta, filia Humfridi Stafford de Blatherwick, nupta 19 H. 7, obiit 21 H. 8.
Edward Archer, obiit cœlebs* temp Jac. regn.
Johannes.
Robertus.
RIC. ARCHER, ob. 5 Oct. 36 H. 8, ætat. 39.
Matilda, filia et cohær. Nich. De la Mere de Hereford parva, ob. 23 Aug. 5 et 6 Ph. et M.
Edw.
Fulco.
Miles.
Francisca.
Winifreda.
Anne.
HUMF ARCHER, ob. 24 Oct. 4 Eliz.
Anna, filia Rob. Townsend de Ludlow, mil. capit Justic. Walliæ, ob. 28 Nov. 5 Jac.
Joh. Archer, duxit Eleanorum fil. et hær. Ric. Fleurie de Handley, in Com. Wigorn.
ANDREAS ARCHER, ob. 23 Apl. an. 1629.
Margareta, filia Sim. Ralegh de Farnborough, ar. ob. 16 Aug. 1614.
Ricardus Archer de Nethorp, in Com. Oxon. duxit Mariam fil. et hær. Roul. Bull de Nethorpe.
SIMON ARCHER, natus 21 Sep. 1581, factus eq. aur per Reg. Jac. 21 Aug. 1624.
Anna, filia de Joh. Ferrers de Tamworth Castro, eq. aur.
Eliz.
Penelope, ux. Eras. de Ligne ar.
Anna, ux. Phil. Yong, de Kineton in Com. Sal. ar.
John ob. coel.
THOMAS, duxit Annam fil. Ric. Leigh, mercat. Lond.
Thomas.
Elizabetha, ux. Herb. Croft.
Francesa, ux. F. Rous. bar. et mil.
ANDREAS ARCHER, ar.
Elizabetha, filia Samuelis Dashwood, civ. Lond. ob. 1 Mai, 1703.
Daniel.
Henricus.
Thomas.
Anna.
Elizabetha.
Sara.
Diana.

* "*Coelebs*"—This is probably a mistake, for in Uffington Church, Berks, is the monument of an Edward Archer, Esq. who was buried there in the first year of the reign of King James I., on which appears the Arms of Umberslade, IMPALING . . . a chevron, ... These must have been the arms of his wife. Perhaps this may be the tomb of "Edward" his nephew.

"To him succeeded Richard his son and heir, who took to his first wife Alice[1] the daughter to Will. Hugford of Midleton in Shropshire, and at length heir to her brother, being then the widow of Sir Thomas Lucy of Charlecote, Kt., from which lady the families of Lucie and Archer are both descended.[2] Which Richard was one of those persons of note in this county who in 7 H. 5 had command to serve the King in person for the defence of the realm, all those then required so to do being such as did bear antient arms by descent from ancestors (as the words of the writ do import)." He afterwards married other wives[3]—"viz. Margaret, the widow unto Thomas Newport of Ercall in Shropshire, by reason whereof he resided there upon her jointure; and Alice, the daughter and heir to Will. Ley of Stotford in Staffordshire He was in 20 H. 6 constituted Sheriff of Staffordshire. In 35 H. 6, suggesting that he was to attend the King's service at Barwick upon Twede, under the command of Henry Percy Earl of Northumb., then Captain of the said toun and castle, he had a patent[4] of protection dated 8 Junii; but the King, being advertised that he did not go with the said Earl, accordingly revoked it.[5] In his later time he lived at Stotford before mentioned, and there made his testament,[6] 18 Jan., 9 E. 4, whereby he bequeathed his body to sepulture in the Church of St. Mary Magd. here at Tanworth, giving unto the fabric thereof four marks, and appointing that xii. pounds of wax should be burnt about his hearse on the day of his funerall, as also that there should be viii. new torches made and lighted at his said requies, especially during the celebration of Mass; which torches to be held by 8 poor men, each of them having a russet gown, with meat and drink for that day; and departed this life[7] in 11 E. 4, being then 86 years of age. To whom succeeded three Johns,[8] as also another Richard, one of the Esquires of the body to King Henry the 8th, whose great-grandchild Sir Simon Archer, Kt., being a gentleman much affected to and very well verst in antiquities, hath (besides the view of his own private evidences whence what I have exprest of this family is faithfully asserted) with great freeness and curtesey imparted unto me very many rarities for the furtherance of this present work."

[1] Clauf. 3 Hen. 5, M. 14. [2] Rot. Camer. Scac. Pen. [3] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A.
[4] Pat. 35 H. 6, p. 2, M. 18. [5] Ibid. [6] Wals. E. 5. [7] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A. [8] Ibid.

Various Possessions, &c., of Archers' of Umberslade.

"MONKSPATH.—This, though it be onely a large tract of ground without any habitation thereupon, carrieth the reputation of a Mannour, having been given by Will.[1] Earl of Warwick in H. 2 time, to Roger de Hulehale and his heirs, to hold with other lands by the service of a 4th part of a Kts. fee. The bounds thereof being in that grant set forth by certain high ways, small brookes, and other noted marks, one whereof is called Monkespethe, and gave denomination at first thereto. Which path I suppose was so named in regard that the Monks of Stoneley past so oft that way to Bordsley Abbey in Worcestershire, for the reasons I have in my discourse of Stoneley expressed. To the posterity of the said Roger de Hulehale it continued for 4 descents, but then did Will. his great grand-child (scil. son of Robert, son of Will., son to the the said Roger) sell it[2] unto John the son of John le Archer, in H. 3 time, for lx. marks, Robert his son in 20 E. 1 confirming the grant; since which time it hath continued in the family of Archer, and is to this day in the possession of Sir Simon Archer, Kt., of whom in Umberslade I have already made mention. But besides this Mannour before spoken of, there is another here called vulgarly Little Monkspath, and held of the Mannour of Tanworth[3] by the 4th part of a kts. fee, having been antiently[4] possesst by the Mountforts of Colshill, and sold in our time by Sir Edw. Mountfort, Kt., to —— Warner, vicar of Tanworth, and is since come to Mr. Archer."

"HENLEY IN ARDEN.—In a south window of the chapel between Harwell and Aston, and near 'Catesby,' are the arms of Archer of Umberslade."

"COUGHTON.—In the church near the seat of 'the antient family of Throgmorton,' are eight distinct shields of that family on their rich monuments, in all of which are quartered the arms of Umberslade."

[1] Ex Autog. pen. eund. S. A. [2] Ibid. [3] Ibid. [4] Ibid.

"IPSLEY.—On the tomb of Sir John Huband of Ipsley are found quartered the arms of Umberslade in two distinct shields."

"MAXSTOKE.—Amongst the 'armes depicted on the antient winscote seeling' 'of the building which was the Prior's house,' are the arms of Archer of Umberslade, along with those of Basset of Drayton, Fitzwalter, Clinton, Lucy, Percy, Warren Earl of Surrey, Holland, Beaumont, England, Hastings, Tuchet, Ferrers, &c."

"BISHOPSTON.—This manor, formerly in the possession of the family of Catesbey, was sold to Andrew Archer, Esq. of Tanworth."

"BETLESWORTH.—By charter in H. 2 time, William Earl of Warwick, in giving Monkspathe to Roger le Ulehale, has it thus: 'Quicquid habuit in Berthelwortha, scil. totum tenementum quod Ricardus senior et Ric. junior de se tenuerunt.' Then did this continue unto the family of Ulehale, and went with Monkspath unto John le Archer."

"BOTLEY.—In H. 2 Robert de Stadford (possessor also of Wooton) gave to the Canons of Kenilworth certain lands lying in this place, with the homages and services of severall persons, as also to Geffrey Malore and his heirs, all those lands, homages, and services, which he likewise held of him here, reserving the payment of a sparrow-hawk to himself and his heirs by the said Geffrey and his heirs, which Geffrey was of those Malories that resided at Tachbroke in this countie, from whom descended John Malore, who in 9 E. 3 had free warren granted to him in all his demesn lands here and at Tachbroke before specified, as also at Wooton on the woulds in Leicestershire, and from him another John, who, with Ankitell Malore, his son and heir, by their deed, bearing date the Thursday after the feast of S. Michael the Arch Angell, 22 H. 6, aliened it to Richard Archer, Esquire, and his heirs, whose posteritie have ever since enjoyed it; Sir S. Archer of Tanworth, Kt., being owner thereof in anno 1640."

"SOLIHUL.—These lands were sold by Sir Ric. Greves of Horseley in com. Wigorn, Kt., to Sir S. Archer of Tanworth, Knight."

"MAXSTOWE CASTLE.—A feudal seat of the Earls of Warwick. The Clintons originally held it. In 13 H. 8, when the Duke of Buckingham forfeited his estates by his attainder, the commissioners appointed to inquire what castles, &c. he was seized of,

certified (amongst others) that Hugh Mervyn, Esq. had the Keepership of the Park, and John Archer was the Constable of the Castle."

"NUNEATON.—There was ratified by H. 2 a grant of one yard land at Calcote by Robert Archer and Margaret his wife to this religious establishment."

"CALDECOTE.—Possessed by Tonna in King Edward the Confessor's time. It went (but does not appear how, directly) from the Bishops of Chester to William Archer in 12 H. 3, which Will. passed it on to William de Rous the following year."

"POLESWORTH.—The Nuns here were given in Draiton, Com. Leic., 'a good proportion of land in H. 2 time by Picot Archer;' but of him little more is known."

DUGDALE. London, 1730.

TANWORTH.—John Addenbrook of Beoley in Com. Wigorn, yeoman, which John, 12 Oct., 27 Eliz., past it (the advowson) to the same Andrew Archer.

INCUMBENTES.

Sym. Archer, Mil.—Tho. Balgai, cl. AM. xi. Jun. 1642, v.p.m. Th. Warner, ult. inc., Rad. Hodges, cl. xxvii. Jun. 1646.

Thom. Archer de Tanworth, ar.—Simon Archer, cl. xiv. Dec. 1676, v.p.m. Rad. Hodges. Ric. Owen, cl. xxiii Julii 1678, v.p.m.

Andreas Archer, ar.—Gul. Malines, cl. AM. xxviii. Dec. 1683, vac. per op. sive nes.

"STATFOLD HALL, OR STOTFOLD, Is a place famous for keeping of horses, which circumstance it is likely gave name to this place. . . . . There is no mention of any such place in the Conqueror's Survey, but I suppose it was then considered to be a member of the Bishop of Lichfield's Barony of Longdon.[1] . . . . Eardeswick

[1] Shaw's Staffordshire.

says that one Richard Salvein, in Henry 2nd's time, held it with another manor by a knight's fee.[1] William de Lee's daughter and sole heir married first Thomas Stokes and then Richard Archer, Esq., but died s.p. . . . . on Jan. 18, 1470. Richard Archer, writing himself of Stotfold, made his testament, and directed the manor of Norton Bagot to be sold for the good of his soul, his wife's, and her parents'. . . . . Stotfold was purchased by Sir John Stanley."

"PURGORE OR PIRGO.—The manor of Pirgo (Havering Hd.) seems always to have been the house of a Queen-consort, and her jointure from the time of Henry 2.[2] . . . . . It passed from the family of Grey to that of Cheke, and thence through that of Tipping to Thomas Archer of Umberslade."[3]

"TILLINGHAM HALL (CHAFFORD HD.)—Passing through the families of De Tillingham, Tilbury, Baude, Seymour, Rich, Cheke, Tipping, became, by marriage, the property of Thomas Archer of Umberslade."

"NORTHWEALD.—Descended through the families of Basset, Bigot, Le Despencer, Burghersh, Plantagenet, Holland, Montacute, Rich, Cheke, Tipping, to Thomas Archer as above."

"RAMSDEN BARRINGTON.—The manor of Ramsden Barrington, or Barnton, passed through the families of Barrington, Bourchier, Devereux, Tyrrell, Wright, Cheke, Tipping, to Thomas Archer as above."

[1] Eardeswirk. [2] Morant's Essex: London, 1768. [3] Collins' Peerage.

Archer of Umberslade,

CO. WARWICK.

[FROM DUGDALE'S "WARWICK;" "EXTINCT PEERAGES," BY BURKE; BANK'S "DORMANT AND EXTINCT BARONAGE OF ENGLAND;" JACOB'S "PEERAGE," ETC. ETC.]

I.

FULBERT L'ARCHER[1]

Came into England with William the Conqueror. His name occurs in the Roll of Battle Abbey. His son—

II.

ROBERT L'ARCHER,

Obtained considerable grants[2] from King Henry 1st, whose tutor he had been, and acquired the lands of Umberslade, in the county of Warwick, as a marriage-portion with his wife Seliit,[3] daughter of Henry de Villiers, sewer to William de

[1] The grandfather of Fulbert L'Archer was "Achardus dives miles de Domfronte," as he is styled, being one of the witnesses to the foundation charter of Souloi in Normandy, 1026.—(*Ordericus Vitalis.*)

[2] "Henricus dei gratia," &c., "sciatus nos dedisse et concessisse Roberto l'Archer magistro meo et hæred. suis," &c., "maner de Aldermanson, Fynchamstead, Coletrope, Speresholt, Chewlewe," &c., "in Com. Berks."—(*Charter.*)

[3] This marr. portion was a grant of the said Henry de Villiers' whole land in Umberslade in wood and in plain, except the lands that Willm. de Westancroft held of him, paying 2 marks of silver and 6 pennies yearly to him at the feast of Michaelmas for all services thereunto belonging. To which deed are witnesses Roger de Hulehale, William de Hulehale, and others.

William Earl of Warwick (who died before Henry 2) granted to Roger de Hulehale the land which Fulke (or Fulbert) L'Archer held of him and his heirs in Omberslade; and the said Roger, by his deed, grants the said lands to Seliit the wife of Robert Archer; also his lands that Fulke held in Omberslade, granted to him by William Earl of Warwick, whereby it is probable that Fulke L'Archer, who came in with William the Conqueror, had possession of Umberslade, and that Hulehale and Villiers settled it on Seliit and Robert L'Archer and their heirs, for it does not appear how they were related.

Newburgh Earl of Warwick, all which possessions were by Henry 2nd to his eldest son confirmed.

Robert L'Archer had three sons—1. William, his successor. 2. Richard L'Archer of Taneworth (who voluntarily came into the court of Walleran Earl of Warwick, and abjured and quitted claim to William his brother of all his right to the whole lands in Taneworth which Robert L'Archer his father held). 3. John, who, writing himself son of Robert L'Archer, releases John, son of William L'Archer, an annual rent which he owed him.

III.

WILLIAM L'ARCHER.

He m. Margery, d. and co-heir of Sir John Sawcey of Orton Sawcey, Leicestersh. Was succeeded by his son—

IV.

JOHN L'ARCHER.

He married Margery, d. of William Barneville. He had, being champion to Thomas Earl of Warwick, obtained special charter from that nobleman, granting to himself and his heirs the privilege of hunting and hawking everywhere within the territory of Taneworth except the park, and of exercising all other liberties belonging to the Earl within Monkspath and Omberslade, paying to the said Earl and his heirs twelve broad arrow-heads and a couple of capons yearly, at Whitsuntide, as an acknowledgment.

This John Archer died in the 35th Henry III., leaving four sons—1. John; 2. Thomas; 3. William, rector of Pilardinton; 4. Robert, rector of Queinton; and two daughters—1. Alice; 2. Elie, m. Ralph de Erscote. The three younger sons appear to have been churchmen. Thomas[1] the 2nd was Prior of St. John of Jerusalem in England, temp. Edward II. The eldest son—

[1] He resided at the hospital situated in the square of Clerkenwell, now denominated from thence St. John's Square, that hospital being the chief seat in England of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, or Knights Hospitallers, as they were also called, from having an hospital at Jerusalem for the accommodation of pilgrims. These Knights are reported once to have had 19,000 lordships in Christendom, and their Prior in England was reckoned the first Baron in the realm.—(*Bank.*) As Lord Prior of St. John, he grants to Sir Ralph de Cobham, Kt., and Mary his wife, the manor of Dartford in Kent, dated "in domo fontis clericorum juxta London."—(*Jacob*, 1767.)

Thomas Archer presented to Willm. de Aslachy, his clerk, the advowson of a living in the lordship of Sibethorpe, Notts.

V.

JOHN ARCHER,[1]

Purchased of William de Hulehale the manor of Monkspath, adjoining Omberslade. This John married Margery, daughter of Sir William Tracey of Todington, in the county of Gloucester, and was succeeded by his eldest son—

VI.

JOHN ARCHER.

Married Isabel, daughter of Ralph Erscote, Esq., of Erscote, in the county of Warwick, by whom he had two sons and two daughters; and dying in the 22nd Edwd. III., was succeeded by the elder son—

VII.

THOMAS ARCHER.[2]

Married Margaret, daughter and co-heiress of John Malley, Esq., of Malley, in the county of Salop, and had issue—1. His successor; 2. Gilbert, who, writing himself of Taneworth, had license from the Crown in the 16th Richard II. to give to the prior and convent of Kenilworth one messuage, with divers lands at Hitchenden, in the county of Buckingham; 3. Joane, married Wm. Shelly, Esq. This Thomas Archer's will[3] is dated "Thursday next after the Feast of St. Thomas the Martyr, 1372, and he was succeeded in that year by his elder son—

Flanfore Manor was also in the gift of Thos. Archer.

This Thomas Archer, it appears, nearly ruined, by his inaptitude for business, the order over which he presided, in England. Leonard de Tibertis was appointed by Elian de Villeneuve, the Grand Master of the Order, Commissioner to inquire into the State of Affairs in England, and the result was, that Thomas the Archer, feeble with age, was compelled to resign his office.—*Vide* "The Knights Hospitallers in Englande." Printed for the Camden Society, 1857.

[1] In 19 Ed. 2, Thos. Archer, Prior of St. John, styles him his beloved nephew John L'Archer, and releases and quits claim to him all his right to the wood, with the appurtenances, in Gilbert's land.

[2] Thomas Archer, styling himself son and heir of John Archer, gave to Elene Fauconere and Julian his sisters, one messuage in Taneworth, which Willm. Archer, his uncle, lately held.—(*Jacob.*)

[3] By his will, 1372, he gave all his cattle and moveable goods to John Charnels, Lord of Snakeston,* and Margaret his wife (probably his daughter), and bequeathed his manor of Overton

* There was a Knight who served in Brittany, in the wars of Edw. 3, of this name—Sir Nicholas Charnels. He is frequently mentioned by Froissart.

VIII.

THOMAS ARCHER.

In 1373 he had a command in the army of John of Gaunt, and fell into the hands of the French and Burgundians in a rencounter at Ouchy le Chasteau, near Soissons,[1] on the 20th Oct. in that year, being surprised when foraging[2] with Sir Matthew Redmayer, Sir Thos. Spencer, Sir Hugh Brudenel, Sir John Bourchier, and other Knights and Esquires.[3] In the 49th Edward III. he was again in France, under Thomas Beauchamp Earl of Warwick, from whom he rec^{d} a pension[4] for his services, dated at Worcester, 20 Martii, 1 Richard II., in the 21st of which latter reign, he rec^{d} a special pardon, dated June 8, for all manner of transgressions, and for whatever he had acted contrary to his allegiance, &c., in behalf of Thomas late Duke of Gloucester, Richard late Earl of Arundel, and Thomas Earl of Warwick; after which, in the same year, he was in commission for assessing and collecting a fifteenth and tenth then granted to the King in Parliament. This Thomas Archer married Agnes, daughter of Sir Walter Coke of Cokesey, in the co. of Worcester, and grand-daughter of Hugh Cokesey and of Dionis his wife, one of the four sisters and co-heiresses of Edmund le Boteler, by whom he had 3 sons. He died, after being bedridden for three years, in the 84th year of his age, on the Feast of Pentecost 1425, and was succeeded by his second but eldest surviving son—

Saucye to Margaret his wife, during her life. She was one of the daughters and co-heirs of John Malley of Malley, in the parish of Mortimers-Clebury, in the co. of Salop, and he had by her good possessions, as is evidenced by the deeds of the family.—(*Jacob.*)

[1] A city between Picardy and Champagne.

[2] They had with them six-score spearmen. They fell into an ambush, and were greatly outnumbered by their enemies; however, they fought valiantly, but being overpowered, most of them were slain or taken, very few escaping.

[3] Thomas Archer, William Dantrey, William St. Quintin, John Meinel, and 8 others.*

[4] Thomas Archer served a second campaign in France under the Earl of Warwick; and the said Earl, in his grant of a pension (20 March, 1 Rich. 2), thus styles him: "Dilecto nobis scutifero Thomæ le Archer pro bono et laudabili servitio quod nobis impendit et impendet in futuram;" and confers on him a yearly rent of C. 1. s. iiiid.—(*Jacob.*)

* Froissart gives their names—William Daultry, John Gaillard, Thomas Bradley, Henry Montford, Guy Hewett, John Meynil, Wm. Gostwick, John Flamstead, Thomas Sollerant, Wm. Quentin, Robert Boteler, Robert Audley, Ralph Stanley, and Thomas Archer.—Translation by Thos. Johnes. London, 1806.

IX.

RICHARD ARCHER.

One of the persons of note in the county of Warwick summoned in the 7th of Henry V. to serve the King in person for the defence of the realm, being, according to the writ, "one that did bear ancient arms from his ancestors." He married first, Alice, daughter of Wm. Hugford, Esq., of Hugford and Middleton, in the county of Salop, sister and heiress of her brother Wm. Hugford, and widow of Sir Thomas Lucy, Knight of Charlecote, by whom he had issue one son—

John, who married, in the 25th Henry VI., Christian, widow of Henry Sewal of London, and only daughter and heiress of Ralph Blacklow of the same city, and of his wife Joan, heiress of Thomas Coke, *alias* Malling, of West Malling, Kent, by whom he had an only son, John. King Henry VI., by his letters patent, dated 12th May, in the 8th year of his reign, retained this John Archer, Esq., by his factors or attorneys, to convey in ships all manner of provisions for victualling the town and fortress of Calais. This John Archer fell in battle in 1463, on the side of the Earl of Warwick against King Edward IV. His widow remarried, in the 3rd of Edwd. IV., Hy. Beech, Esq.

Richard Archer married secondly, Margaret, relict of Thos. Newport, Esq., of Ercall in Shropshire, ancestor of the Earls of Bradford; and thirdly, Joane, daughter and heiress of Wm. Ley, Esq., of Stotford, in the county of Stafford. In the 7th Henry VI., Richard Archer had summons to attend the King in France, to be present at his coronation there; Sir Ralph Bruce, Sir Edwd. Dodingfell, and Nicholas Burdett, with others of the county of Warwick, being also summoned. In the 19th same monarch, he served the office of Sheriff for the county of Salop, and the next year, that of Sheriff for the county of Stafford, in which shire he resided, at Stotford. He died in the 85th year of his age, anno 1471, when his estates in the counties of Salop, Stafford, and Bedford, devolved upon his grandson—

X.

JOHN ARCHER.

Born in 1449, married Alice, daughter of Sir Baldwin Mountfort, Knt. of Coltshill, in the co. of Warwick; and dying at Omberslade 4th Dec. 1519, was succeeded by his only son—

XI.

JOHN ARCHER.[1]

Married Margaret, daughter of Humphrey Stafford of Bletherwick, in the co. of Northampton, by whom he had four sons and a daughter. He died in a year after his father, and was succeeded by his eldest son—

XII.

RICHARD ARCHER.

Escheator of the co. of Warwick in the 22nd of Henry VIII., and Justice of the Peace for that shire. He married Maud, 2nd daughter of Nicholas Delamere,[2] Esq. of Little Hereford, in the co. of Hereford, and co-heiress with her sister Susan, wife of John Dansey, Esq., of her brother, Edmund Delamere, Esq., and had issue—

Humphrey	born in	1527.
Miles	„	1530.
Edward[3]	„	1533.
Francis	„	1534.
Anne	„	1526.
Winifred	„	1535.

In the 32nd of Henry VIII. this Richard Archer was appointed Steward of the Manor of Knole, in the co. of Warwick, being then, as recited in the letters-patent, "one of the Esquires of the King's body;" and in two years after he was commanded to take the muster of all able men, as well horsemen as foot, that he could furnish, both of the King's tenants, inhabiting upon farms whereof he had the stewardship, as also his own servants and tenants dwelling on his own lands, &c. He[4] died 5th Oct. 1544, and was succeeded by his eldest son—

XIII.

HUMPHREY ARCHER.

Married, in the 4th of Edward VI., Oct. 6th, Anne, daughter of Sir Robert Townshend, Knt., Chief-Justice of the marches of Wales and Chester, and grand-daughter of

[1] It was Edward, the fourth son of this John Archer, who, as recorded on his tomb at Tanworth, was "a friend to the poore."

[2] Delamere of Parva, Hereford. Arms—Barré nebulæ, or, and gules. This person, in the Herald's Visitation of Worcester (Pedigree of John Archer) is called "Edmund de la Laund."

[3] *Vide* Monument of Edw. Archer (ob. 1603) at Uffington, in Berks.

[4] He sold the lordship of Overton Sawcey to Ralph Sheldon.

Sir Roger Townshend of Reynham, in the co. of Norfolk, one of the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas, and ancestor of the Viscounts Townshend, by whom he had surviving issue—

Andrew, his successor.

John, married Eleanor, daughter and heiress of Richd. Frewen, Esq. of Handley, in the county of Worcester.

Bridget, married to John Bancroft, Esq. of Hanbury, in the co. of Worcester.

Margery, married to John Colles, Esq. of Halfield, co. of Hertford.

Elizabeth, married to John Hereford, Esq. of Sufton, in the co. of Hertford.

This Humphrey Archer died at Omberslade 24th Oct. 1562, and was succeeded by his eldest son—

XIV.

ANDREW ARCHER.

Extended the family possessions, by the purchase of large estates, in the reigns of Queen Elizabeth and King James I., in the 7th year of which latter reign, he was Sheriff of the co. of Warwick. He married in 1580 Margaret, daughter of Simon Raleigh, Esq., of Farnborough, in the co. of Warwick, and had issue—

Thomas, who died in his 24th year, before his father, unmarried.

Simon, successor to the estates.

Richard, married Mary, daughter and sole heiress of Rowland Bull, Esquire, of Neithropp, par. Banbury, in the co. of Oxford, by whom he acquired that estate, and had a son Rowland, born in 1621, and two daughters, Katherine and Anne, and probably other issue subsequent to the recording of these.—*Vide* Harl. MSS., Brit. Mus.; Sim's Catalogue of ditto.

Andrew Archer died 23rd April 1629, and was succeeded by his eldest surviving son—

XV.

SIR SIMON ARCHER, Kt.

Sheriff of Warwickshire in the 3rd year of King Charles I., and member for Tamworth in the Parliament which assembled on the 30th April 1640. Sir Simon was a man of letters and an antiquary, and Sir Wm. Dugdale acknowledges himself indebted to him in compiling his Antiquities of Warwickshire. In 1629 he was knighted by

King James I. when he kept his court at Warwick Castle. Sir Simon married Anne, daughter of Sir John Ferrars,[1] Kt. of Tamworth Castle in the co. of Warwick, by whom he had surviving issue—

Thomas, his successor.

(Humphrey, bapt. January 29, 1625).

Anne, married to Philip Young, Esq., of Kenneton in the co. of Salop.

Elizabeth.

Penelope, married to Erasmus de Ligne, Esq. of Harlaxton in the co. of Lincoln.

(Constantia, ob. inf.)

Sir Simon was succeeded by his son—

XVI.

THOMAS ARCHER.

At the commencement of the Civil Wars he was a colonel in the Parliament army, and raised a troop of horse at his own expense; but so soon as he discovered the designs of the Parliamentarians, he threw up his commission,[2] and remained abroad until the restoration of the monarchy, when he returned and represented the city of Warwick in Parliament. He married Anne, daughter of Richard Leigh, Esq. of London, and had issue—

Andrew, his successor.

Thomas, groom-porter to Queen Anne and Kings George I. and II.; d. *s.p.* 1743.

Leigh, d. unm.

Elizabeth, married to Sir Herbert Croft, Bart. of Croft Castle, in the co. of Hereford.

Frances, married to Sir Francis Rous, Bart. of Rous Linch in the co. of Worcester.

Thomas Archer died in 1685, and was succeeded by his eldest son—

[1] Brother of Lord Ferrers. The ancestor of the Ferrers of Tamworth was Sir John Ferrers of Tamworth, 2nd son to Will. Lord Ferrers of Groby. Their arms are—Gules, 7 mascles conjunct, or; a label of three points azure for diff.

[2] "He went beyond seas."

XVII.

ANDREW ARCHER.

M.P. for the county of Warwick[1] in the reigns of William and Mary, Queen Anne, and King George I., and one of the commissioners appointed in 1711, to inquire into the number and quality of the forces in Her Majesty's pay in Portugal, and to examine the accounts relating to the said forces, and to the garrisons of Port-Mahon and Gibraltar. Andrew Archer married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Samuel Dashwood, Lord Mayor of London in 1702, and had issue—

Thomas, his successor.

(Samuel, bap. Dec. 1702).

Henry, M.P. for Warwick; married Lady Elizabeth Montague, sister of Geo. Earl of Halifax, and died 1768.

Anne.

Elizabeth.

Sarah.

Diana, married to Thos. Chaplin, Esq. of Blankney Hall, in the co. of Lincoln.

Andrew Archer died at Umberslade, which he had rebuilt, on the 31st December, 1741, and was succeeded by his eldest son—

XVIII.

THOMAS ARCHER.

M.P. for Warwick, and subsequently for Bamber; was elevated to the peerage, by letters-patent by H.M. King George II., on the 14th July 1747, by the title of BARON ARCHER OF UMBERSLADE IN THE COUNTY OF WARWICK. He married Catherine, daughter and co-heiress of Sir Thomas Tipping, Bart. of Wheetfield in the co. of Oxford, and Anne his wife, daughter and heiress of Thomas Cheke,[2] Esq., by his wife Letitia, daughter and eventually sole heiress[3] of Edward Russell (brother of William,

[1] He represented the county of Warwick in six parliaments.

[2] A descendant of Cheke, the tutor of King Edw. VI.

[3] The daughters of Edward Russell, 4th son of the Earl of Bedford, were Letitia and Catherine. The eldest, Letitia, was first married to Thomas Cheke of Pirgo, Esq., and by him had a daughter, Anne, their heir, m. to Sir Thos. Tipping of Wheetfield, Oxon., Bart., who dying on Jan. 21, 1727-8, Letitia m. Samuel Lord Sandys, and Catherine Thomas Lord Archer. Edward Russell d. Nov. 27, 1727, leaving his house in Covent Garden* to Lord Archer.

* Now "Evans'."

first Duke of Bedford), and sister and heiress of Edward Russell Earl of Oxford, by whom he had issue—

Andrew, his successor, M.P. for Coventry.

Catherine,[1] m. 11th August 1750, Other Lewis 4th Earl of Plymouth.

Anne, m. 15th March 1756, Edward Garth Tournour, Esq. of Shillingby Park in the co. of Sussex; created subsequently Earl of Winterton in Ireland.

His lordship died in 1768, and was succeeded by his only son—

XIX.

ANDREW ARCHER.

Second Baron. Married, in 1761, Sarah, elder daughter of James West, Esq., M.P. for Alscot in the county of Warwick, by whom he had three daughters, co-heiresses—

Sarah, married first to Other Hickman,[2] 5th Earl of Plymouth, by whom she had, with other issue—

Other Archer, 6th Earl of Plymouth.

She married, secondly, William Pitt, 1st Earl Amherst, by whom she was mother of—

2nd Earl Amherst.

Catherine m. —— Musgrave, Esq.

Maria m. —— Howard, Esq.

His Lordship died in 1788, when the title expired in default of an heir-male "of his body," according to the limitation of the patent.

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16 Oct. 1652.—In a paper touching reprisals payable out of the estate of Sir Chas. Smith, co. Warwick, Kt. is this entry:—

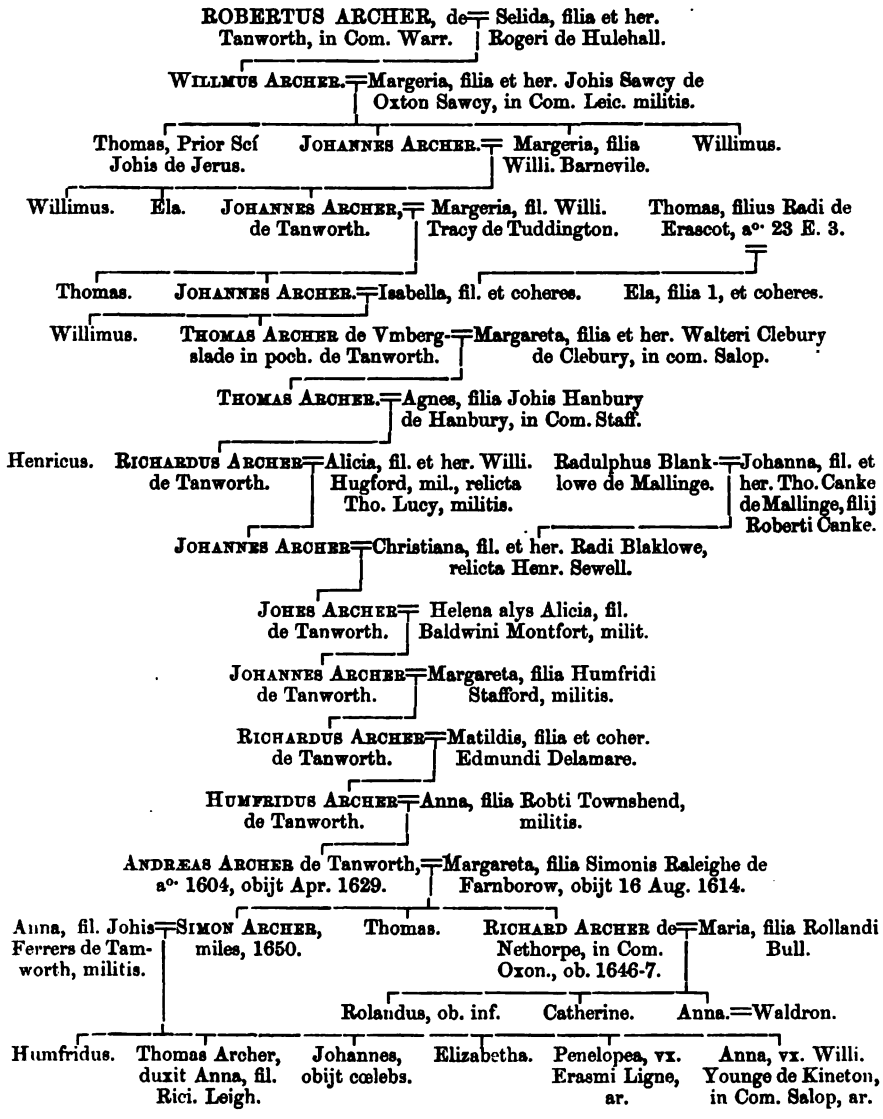
"To Henry Archer for lands lying within Sir Charles Smith's enclosure, £00. 13*s.* 04*d.*"

Will of William Archer of Astley, co. Warwick, date 19 Dec. 1650, pro. 4 Mar. 1651. He mentions his wife Alice, and his children, Robert (the eldest, to whom he leaves his lands at Attleborough), Alice, William, and Elizabeth.

[1] They were married at the Royal Chapel, St. James' Palace, Aug. 11, 1750.

[2] Other Hickman, *Windsor*, 5th Earl of Plymouth, ob. 1799.

ARCHER OF UMBERSLADE.


ROBERTUS ARCHER, de Tanworth, in Com. Warr. = Selida, filia et her. Rogeri de Hulehall.
Willmus Archer. = Margeria, filia et her. Johis Sawcy de Oxton Sawcy, in Com. Leic. militis.
Thomas, Prior Scí Johis de Jerus.
Johannes Archer. = Margeria, filia Willi. Barnevile.
Willimus.
Willimus.
Ela.
Johannes Archer, de Tanworth. = Margeria, fil. Willi. Tracy de Tuddington.
Thomas, filius Radi de Erascot, aº 23 E. 3.
Thomas.
Johannes Archer. = Isabella, fil. et coheres.
Ela, filia 1, et coheres.
Willimus.
Thomas Archer de Vmberg-slade in poch. de Tanworth. = Margareta, filia et her. Walteri Clebury de Clebury, in com. Salop.
Thomas Archer. = Agnes, filia Johis Hanbury de Hanbury, in Com. Staff.
Henricus.
Richardus Archer de Tanworth. = Alicia, fil. et her. Willi. Hugford, mil., relicta Tho. Lucy, militis.
Radulphus Blank-lowe de Mallinge. = Johanna, fil. et her. Tho. Canke de Mallinge, filij Roberti Canke.
Johannes Archer = Christiana, fil. et her. Radi Blaklowe, relicta Henr. Sewell.
Johes Archer de Tanworth. = Helena alys Alicia, fil. Baldwini Montfort, milit.
Johannes Archer de Tanworth. = Margareta, filia Humfridi Stafford, militis.
Richardus Archer de Tanworth. = Matildis, filia et coher. Edmundi Delamare.
Humfridus Archer de Tanworth. = Anna, filia Robti Townshend, militis.
Andræas Archer de Tanworth, aº 1604, obijt Apr. 1629. = Margareta, filia Simonis Raleighe de Farnborow, obijt 16 Aug. 1614.
Anna, fil. Johis Ferrers de Tamworth, militis. = Simon Archer, miles, 1650.
Thomas.
Richard Archer de Nethorpe, in Com. Oxon., ob. 1646-7. = Maria, filia Rollandi Bull.
Rolandus, ob. inf.
Catherine.
Anna. = Waldron.
Humfridus.
Thomas Archer, duxit Anna, fil. Rici. Leigh.
Johannes, obijt cœlebs.
Elizabetha.
Penelopea, vx. Erasmi Ligne, ar.
Anna, vx. Willi. Younge de Kineton, in Com. Salop, ar.

TANWORTH CHAPEL.

Monuments of the Elder Branch of the Archers.

No. 1.—Brass Mural Monument, 20 inches by 13½, in an old carved oak frame on the north wall of chancel of Tanworth Chapel, Warwickshire.

INSCRIPTION:

Memoriæ Sacrum

Margaritæ Archer filiæ Simonis Ralegh de Farnborough armigeri, quæ fuit mitissima conjux Andree Archer de Tanworth armigeri, nec non adjutrix pauperum et ærogantium dum vixit, quæ obiit decimo tertio die Augusti an. 1614.

No. 2.—Large Monument, part grey and part white marble, within the communion-rails, north side of chancel.

INSCRIPTION:

Hic situs est Thomas Archer armiger, Simonis equitis aurati antiquissima familia Orimundi filius,
Qvi literis armis et peregrinationibus juventutem impendit.
Redux gravi tempore patria
Publicis in comitiis inserviit.
Erat imprimis Fidei et amicitiæ fervantissimus;
Singularis ei morum suavitas et facilis consuetudo,
Quam nemo bonus odisse vellet nemo improbus auderet;
Ætat. suæ 67, Annoq. Dom. 1685.
Juxta recumbeunt Anna et Elizabetha
Illa pia mater, hæc conjux mitissima Andreæ Archer,
Forma et virtute consumatissima fœminarum decus,
Ingenio animiq. lumine etiam virorum invidia;
An. ætat. 52. 1685. Elizabethæ æt. 29. 1703. Hoc monumentum Andreas Archer filius primogenitus pietatis ergo posuit.

No. 3.—WHITE MARBLE MONUMENT, 11 by 4 feet.

INSCRIPTION:

Heu pietas, Heu prisca fides.

Sacred to the memory of
Andrew Lord Archer, Baron
of Umberslade, who died
April the 25th 1778,
Ætatis forty-one,
And lies interred in the family vault beneath.
He was the last male descendant [1]
Of an ancient and honorable family,
That came over with
William the Conqueror,
And settled in the county of Warwick
In the reign of King Henry the Second,
From whom his ancestors obtained
The grants of land in the said county.
He married Sarah the daughter
of James West, Esq. of Alscot,
By whom he has left issue
Four daughters.
To perpetuate his fair fame,
This Monument is erected by her
Who knew and loved his virtues.

No. 4.—On a Brass Plate.

P.M.
Aviae
P
Thomas Archer arm.,
fil. et hær. Sim. Archer
Eq. Aur.

[1] That he was the last male descendant is disproved by the circumstance of the existence of various branches of this family, of which little or no notice has hitherto been taken, viz.:—

1. John Archer, of Handley, who died in 1640, and left no fewer than *eight sons*.
2. The descendants of Edward Archer, buried at Uffington in 1603.
3. The descendants of John and Robert, sons of John Archer, of Umberslade.
4. The descendants of Richard Archer's sons, Francis, Fulke, and Miles.
5. Ditto of Gilbert, 2 Johns, Richard, 2 Thomases, Robert.
6. Archers of Houghton Conquest, and Meppershall, Bedfordshire, of Sudbury and of London, &c. &c.

No. 5.

Here lyeth buried
Edward Archer, gent.
Whiles he lived was a
friend to the poore.
He dyed the iviit of
February, Ann. Do. 1592.

In the great north window of St. Mary's Church, Warwick, beside the arms of Beauchamp Earls of Warwick, are the arms of Archer impaled, and beneath—

P.M.
ILLVSTR. WAR. COM.
P.
D. ANNA ARCHER.

Also at Coughton, Warwickshire, the arms of Archer of Umberslade occur quartered and impaled with those of the ancient family of Throckmorton, on their monuments in the church there.

BRIEF EXTRACTS

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS OF TANWORTH, WARWICKSHIRE.

BAPT. REGISTER.

Thomas filius Simonis Archer militis, baptised Jan. 14, 1618.
Anna filia Simonis Archer, baptista fuit 29 Oct. 1623.
Humfridus filius Simonis Archer, baptistus fuit 29 Jan. 1625.
Constantia filia Simonis Archer militis, 1° Aprilis 1628.
Penelope fil. Simon. Archer milit., bapt. fuit 7 Augt. 1631.
Elizabeth fil. Simon. Archer milit., baptista fuit Feb. 21, 1632.
Elizabeth d. of Thos. Archer, Esq., and Anne his wife, born 2 Aug. 1655.
Frances, do. do. 2nd May 1657.
Andrew, son do. 2nd Aug. 1659.
Leigh, do. do. decimo quarto May 1662.
Sarah fil. Andrew Archer armiger & Elizabeth his wife, bapt. Feb. 8, 1697.
Henry, son of Andrew & Elizabeth Archer, bapt. Nov. 18, 1700.
Samuel, son of Andrew and Elizabeth, baptised Dec. 6, 1702.
Anne Elizabeth, d. of the Hon^{ble} Andrew and Sarah Archer, was born 16 Aug., baptised 22 Sept. 1763.
Maria, d. of Andrew and Sarah Archer, born Jan. 4, and bapt. 31 Jan. 1765.
Harriott, d., born Nov. 25, baptised Dec. 24, 1769.

Godfridus Archer sepultus fuit 27 Oct. 1562.
Thomas Archer junr. sepultus fuit 29 July 1612.
Constantia filia Simonis Archer militis, sepulta fuit April 16, 1628.
Andrew Archer armiger, sepultus fuit April 25, 1629.
Symon Archer, miles, sepultus fuit 4 June 1662.
Anna filia Thos. Archer armiger, sepulta fuit Nov. 18, 1669.
Thomas Archer armiger, sepultus fuit Oct. 24, 1685.
Elizabeth, wife of Andrew Archer, Esq., buried March 4, 1703.
Andrew Archer was buried Jan. 8, 1741.
Catherine Lady Archer, buried August 1754.
Mrs. Ann Archer, buried June 25, 1762.
Thomas Lord Archer, Baron of Umberslade, buried Nov. 9, 1768.
Honourable Andrew Lord Archer, buried May 5, 1778.

Archer

IN VARIOUS COUNTIES, ETC.

Worcester.

THERE are but few records of the collateral branches of the Archers of Umberslade; for although the chief line of that ancient family maintained its position and inheritance throughout all the troubles and disasters of English history, the offshoots appear to have decayed.

1. In the church of Welland, Worcestershire, is a tablet with the following inscription:—

"John, son of Humphrey Archer of Tanworth in the county of Warwick, Esq., 29th May, 1640, together with several of his children and grandchildren."

In the Visitation of Worcester, Harl. MSS. 1566, A.D. 1569, Plut. LVIII. 13, f. 145, is given the pedigree of this John Archer, thus—

RICHARD ARCHER, = Maud, dau. and heiress of Edmund de la Launde.

HUMPHREY ARCHER, of Tanworth, = Ann, dau. of Sir Robert Townshend.

Andrew Archer, of Tanworth, Warwickshire.

JOHN ARCHER, = Eleanor, dau. and heiress of R. Frewin, of Hanley, Worcestershire.

Edward. Son. Son. Dau. Son. Son. Son. Son. Son. Son. Dau.

ARMS.—Archer, impaling barré ermine and azure; in chief erm. a mountain-cat, and below it a lion ramp. crowned.

PEDIGREE FROM THE "COMPOSITION PAPERS."

EDWARD ARCHER, of Hanley Castle, co. Worcester, ob. Aug. 1649. = Eleanor Frewin.

William, eldest son, living 1653.

Thomas, living 1653.

George, living 1653.

Ann, = Nathan Peart. living 1653.

N.B.—There was a deposition of Simon Archer of Welland, co. Worcester, in 1653, as witness to the indenture of Edward Archer in 1649.

From this John Archer, it is asserted, was descended William Archer of Stafford, who, marrying Anne d. of ——— Baldwin, Esq., of Kinsale, had by her—

1. William Archer, d. *s.p.*
2. Clement Archer, 16th Lancers, who had a son—
   1. William Henry Archer.[1]

2. In the chapel of Castle Morton, Longdon, is a tomb with this inscription:—

"H. S. E.

"The body of Mr. Robert Archer, once minister of this church, a branch of that ancient illustrious family of Omberslade Hall in the county of Warwick. Obiit 19 Martii 1713, æt. 70."[2] The epitaph of his wife follows. "And of Hannah his wife, dau of Edward Moor of Suckley Court, gent., ob. 19 Jan., 1700. And of Hannah their youngest dau., who died Feb. 8, 1719."[3]

[1] Burke's Landed Gentry.

[2] Antiq. of Worcestersh. 1799.

[3] *Vide* Robert Archer in Par. Reg. Barb. 1685.

In the Cathedral, Barbadoes, is a slab to the memory of John Frewen, ob. 1669, æt. 44.

There is the record of the baptism at Welland of "Thomas," the sonne of John Archer, gent. (Bap. April 20, 1680.) There is also at Doctors' Commons the Will of Edward Archer, gent., Worcester, 1649. The testator mentions his son-in-law, Thomas Backe, and his son William Archer. The witnesses are Alice Knowles,* Rice Smith, George Hill.

Edward Archer, 1649, of City of Worcester, buried in chancel of Lanley Church, county of Worcester. Leaves to his son-in-law, Thomas Bache—

1 Cleanser, 1 cupboard, 1 dozen harden napkins, 1 damask sheet, 1 flaxen cupboard cloth, 1 pair harden sheets, 2 harden board cloths, 1 taffetre beaurife cloth, the shorter part of the green carpet, 1 flaxen towell, 1 hempen towell, 2 hempen towells, 2 pewter candlesticks, 1 butter-dishe, 2 saucers, 1 pillow, 1 pewter pot, 1 little brass pott, 1 possnett, 1 brass basting spoon, 1 flesh forke, 1 silver wine boule, 1 feather bed, boulster, and pillow, 1 blankett, 1 pair harden sheets, 1 pair pot-hookes, 1 chopping knife, 1 chafing-dishe, 2 low stooles with green fringe, 1 spitt.

Leaves to his son William—

7 Needlework cushions, 1 dozen layd-work napkins, 1 pair hempen pillowbeers, 1 set of taffetre curtains with worked vallence with silk fringe, the longer part of the green carpet, 1 flaxen towell, 1 basin and ewer, 1 flaggon, 1 ———, 2 plates, 1 pillowe, 1 kettle, 1 pomett, 1 dripping-pan, 1 silver and gilt salt with a cover, 1 feather-bed with boulster and pillow, 1 blanket, 2 coverletts, 1 tablecloth, the two bigger brass potts, 1 payre of racks, 1 payre of pot-hooks, 1 gridiron, 1 skimmer, 1 broach, 1 low green chaire, 1 large carpet, 1 great kettle. Residue of household stuffs and personal estate to said son William.

Executor—His son William.

Witnesses—Alice Knowles, Rice Smith, Geo. Hill.

* Matthew Knowles is a witness to the Will of Thos. Archer, Barbadoes, 1709.

Lancashire, Cheshire, Derbyshire, Stafford, Oxford.

1. In one of the churches of Chester there is a monument to a person of the name of Archer, bearing a tablet with the following inscription:—

"To the memory of William Archer, 2nd son of Richard Archer, gent., of Shrewley, Warwickshire—ob. 24 July 1787, an. æt. 37."[1]

2. John Archer of Kendall, gent. His arms are engraved in Lee's Lancashire, and are 3 broad arrows in pale.[2]

Mention also is made casually in the same work of a Dr. Archer of Kendall.

3. "Doc. of Civil Law." "For the same degree supplicated one Richard Arche, LL.B., but was not admitted. In 1526 I find him to be Principal of Broad Gates Hall by the name of Richard Archer, and now, 1538, to be the King's Chaplain and Canon of Windsor. On the 28th Dec. 1551 he was made treasurer of the Church of Salisbury, on the death of Matthew Wooton."[3]

It appears that Sir Simon Archer of Umberslade was a student at Oxford, and it is not improbable that the above Richard Archer may have been his relative.[4]

4. In the Herald's Visitation of Oxfordshire occurs Archer of Neithorp or Netherthorpe, from county Warwick.—(Harl. MSS., Brit. Mus. 1480, fo. 57; 1557, fo. 49, 6.)

The arms given are those of Umberslade, quartering "Hulehale—Sawcey—Clebury—Canke—Delamere—with a crescent in the nombril point of the escutcheon for difference. The wyvern's neck in the crest is also charged with a cresc^{t}."[5]

5. "Ricus le Archer—Hakelowe magna de tentis in Pecci foresta Derby—32 Edw. 1."

6. "Thomas le Archer—Huckelowe magna ex$^{t.}$ in alto Pecco foresta Derby—27 Edw. 3."

7. "Thomas le Archer—P'esona eccl' ie de Elmesete pro priore de Brerete—Bresete magna maner 3^{tra} P^{s} ut de Peverel honore—Bosmere hund^{r} reddit 20^{d} ibm[6] 'Osseton'—'Elmesett'—'Whatfield'—v marcate terr' ibm emanen Rico fri ejusdem Thome—(Edw. 3)."

Richard Archer of Neithrop,[7] near Banbury, co. Oxon, by his wife Mary Bull, had three children, viz., "Anne, first daughter; Rowland Archer, eldest sonne, about (A.D. 1634) 13 years of age; Katherin, 2nd daughter."

[1] Ormerod's Cheshire. [2] Lees.
[3] Wood's Athenæ Oxoniensis, p. 60. Fasti Oxoniensis, Lond. 1721. [4] Wood.
[5] *Vide* Sims' Heralds' Visitations. [6] Calend. Inquis. post-mortem sive Escætarum, 1808.
[7] Register of Wills, Barbadoes, and Parish Registers.

N.B.—4. In 1658, twelve years after the death of Richard Archer of Neithrop, letters of administration were granted to Anne (Mrs. Walrond), his *only surviving* daughter. The Walronds from Devonshire were an influential family in Barbadoes.

Will of Richard Archer (clerk) of Pesone, co. Derby; Will dated 24 Dec. 1658, pro. 6 Jan. 1659. Testator mentions his mother, "Ellen Archer;" his brothers, Robert, Francis, John (of Threwston-Janner, and *his* daughter Mary); his sister Ann m. —— Wilson. He mentions his cousin, Mary Lausett, and her daughter Mary; his cousins, John Rowlandson, John Shorthose, John Kelsall, and John Moore of Shorley; his cousin, and executor, Samuel Archer, and his uncle, Lawrence Moore. Directs that he may be buried at Edensone.

Will of Thomas Archer of Eccleshall, co. Stafford, tanner; dated 19 Aug. 1656, pro. 19 Nov. 1657. His wife Dorothy. His brother Richard Archer. His children, John and Anne, both under age.[1]

Buckingham, Norfolk, Suffolk.

2. The Revd. B. Archer of Queinton, Bucks, who espoused in the eighteenth century Katherine, daughter of W. Stonestreet, Esq., of Halon, (and d.s.p.,) may have belonged to the Warwickshire family, for we find that there was a branch of it in the time of Edward 2, settled here;[2] Robert, fourth son of John Archer, grandson of Robert L'Archer, having at that period been Rector of Queinton. Yet this may be no more than a coincidence.[3]

It appears by Berry's Sussex Genealogies, that the Revd. B. Archer, who married Katherine Stonestreet (by whom he had an only child, a daughter who d. unm. 1803 at St. Stephen's), was the son of the Revd. B. Archer, Rector of Queinton, Bucks (his monument is on the outer wall of his church), by Anne Kemp or Ingelo, a widow lady, and that his father was born in 1696.

3. "There was a family of Archer at Sudbury, in Suffolk, of whom Nicholas was a citizen of London, and, as appears by his will in 1487, he was a man of considerable wealth, leaving large bequests to many churches in London and the country, for masses, &c. for the repose of his soul. As his father's name was John, and his

[1] Brit. Mus. [2] Burke. [3] Jacob.

brothers John and Richard, names which, especially Nicholas, are of frequent occurrence in the Cornish (*Lisard*) family, it is probable they were nearly connected."[1]

4. "Rogerus L'Archer," Rodlesworth (Norfolk), "Wilesham—Floketon—Somersham"—Holton—Brindwenham and Stretford—Free warren in these places granted 39 Edw. 3.[2]

There was a family of this name in Norfolk in the 14th century.[3] —— le Archer, by a daughter of John de Bohun, had four children, viz.—

1. Thomas le Archer, Rector of Elinset, 1330—Ld. of Riddlesworth, Norfolk.
2. Richard le Archer, brother of Thomas, 1330.
3. *Thomas* le Archer, brother of Thos. and Richd., 1330.
4. Agnes le Archer, sister of *Thos.* and Richd., 1330.

Roger le Archer of Howton, Suffolk, 1330, Ld. of Riddlesworth by the will of Tho. le Archer. He had two sons, the youngest of whom, by name Thomas, m. in 1341, and died in 1375; and the elder, Roger le Archer, m. Alexandrina, daughter of Sir Wm. de la Mote, Knt. (who died before 1384), and had a daughter by her, named Beatrice le Archer, who m. Sir John Roos, Knt. (1389), and had two daughters, Cecilia Roos, and Anne Roos, who m. Thos. Sackville, and was mother of P. John Sacvill, Ld. of the Manor of Archers in Howton.[4]

WILLS.—1600 to 1700.

1602	Archer	Henry	Diss.
1604	„	Barbara	Lynn Regis.
1610	„	Robert	Methwold.
1611	„	Anna	Weston.
1612	„	Edmund	Diss.
1632	„	John	Diss.
1636	„	Job	Wimbotsham.
1638	„	John	Mellis.
1644	„	Timothy	Denton.[5]

[1] Burke's Landed Gentry. This is apparently a mistake; *vide* the Will and *Arms* of Rev. Thos. Archer, of Houghton Conquest.
[2] Calendarum Rotulm. Chartarum, 1803.
[3] Addl. MS. 19115, f. 90, Brit. Mus., contributed by R. Sims, Esq.
[4] Addl. MS. 19115, f. 90, Brit. Mus.
[5] Consistory Court.

1601	Archer	Alice	Aylsham.
1611	„	Raphe	Aylsham.
1611	„	Robert	Coltishall.
1616	„	John	Briston.
1617	No Index in book, or with Originals.		
1638	Archer	Henry	Great Yarmouth.[1]
1602	Archer	William	Northrepps.
1602	„	William	Downham.
1607	„	William	Northrepps.
1661	„	Timothy	Diss.
1662	„	Henry	East Dereham.[2]
1669	Archer	Jeffry	Aylmerton.
1672	„	Robert (a potter)	Dillington.
1673	„	Edward (a baker)—he possessed "lands and tenements."	Diss.
1676	„	Gregory	Earsham.
1687	„	Margaret	East Dereham.

Archer of Archer's Court, Kent.

"Archer's Court," says Hasted, "is a manor in the northern part of the parish of River. In the time of King John it was in the possession of Solomon de *Dovere*. He was succeeded by his son Gregory de *Dovere*,"[3] but in ancient records there is no farther mention of this name, nor of the manor, until it "came into the possession of a family named *Archer*, and sometimes *L'Archer*, from whom it acquired the name of *Archer's Court*."

Nicholas Archer held it in the first year of K. Edw. 2. His son, *William Archer*, paid aid for it in the 20th year of that reign, at 100 acres of land held in sergeantry. At length, when the *Archer* family became extinct here, the manor was alienated to Baudred.[4]

[1] Norwich Archdeaconry. [2] Norfolk Archdeaconry.
[3] Hasted's Hist. of Kent (Canterbury, 1799), quoting "Testa. de Nevill," Rot. Escb.
[4] Inquisition, 48 Edw. 3.

In the 20th Edw. 3, *William Archer* and Thomas Whitfield paid aid for the manor of Castney Court in Kent, at the making of the Black Prince a knight, at half a fee, which the heirs of Stephen de Bocton held at Kersener of the barony of Saye. Maxton, in the parish of Hougham, is another manor, which, in the time of K. Hen. 3, was in the possession of Stephen Manekin. It was sold by Alice, his daughter, to *William*, son of *Nicholas Archer* of *Dover*, and he paid aid for it in the 20th year of K. Edw. 3 at one quarter of a fee. His son, *William Archer*, in the 21st year of the next reign (K. R. 2), passed it away by sale to John Alkman.[1]

The manor of Alkman was held at half a fee by *Nicholas Archer* of *Dover*, in 20 Edw. 3.

In the return of Barons of Kent to serve the Parliament, occurs, 22nd Edw. IV., at Westminster, the name of John Archer.

It is somewhat remarkable that this family of Archer, which, it appears, was possessed of considerable property and influence in the reign of King Edward 3, should have disappeared so rapidly from the records of the county of Kent. Even the name itself became uncommon; and the few remaining notices of it which we have been able to discover are contained in the following extracts:—

1. *William le Archer* between 1365 and 1482 was Rector of Saltwood Church and Hythe Chapel.
2. *Thomas Archer*, Prebend of Rugmer. Patron of the living of Throwley, 1757.
3. *Henry Archer*, S.T.P. Rector of Faversham, and of Mersham, ob. 1744.
4. *Henry Archer*, S.T.P. Rector of Herne, 1724-6.
5. Capt. *James Archer* acquired the 3rd of the manor of Huntingfield Court by m. with Anne Hasted.
6. Arms of Archard or Archer—Ermine; a cross sable.[2]

Examination of Nic. Archer[3] of Saltwood, Kent, 1619, March 13.

Letter of Michael Constable to John Archer,[4] 1620, Sept. 28.

[1] In the Court of Shepway of the Cinque Ports, 24 Edw. 3, is the case of John Archer *versus* John Monyn. *Vide* Jeake's Charters of the Cinque Ports.

[2] Nisbet's Heraldry. Hasted's Kent. [3] S. P. O. Dom. Jas. 1. [4] Dom. Jas. 1.

Archers of York, Northampton, Lincoln, Cambridge.

1. "John le Archer held the day of his death, one messuage and four acres of land in Papam of the King, *in capite*, by the serving of a seventh part of a certain sergeantry, which entire sergeantry was held of the King, *in capite*, by finding one man with a bow and arrows in the castle of York as before."

2. Robertus le Archer, Sibertoft manor, Northampton, *temp.* Henry 3.[1]

3. In Holbeach Church, Lincoln, are found on a monument these arms, impaling Brecknock, viz., Azure, three arrows or dart points downwards, 2 and 1—or— (Q. Umberslade.)[2]

5. Margaret, dau. of Sir George Saville of Thornhill, by Elizabeth Ayscough, married Sir John Archer, Judge of Common Pleas. (Hist. of Leeds.)

6. Margaret, dau. of —— Archer of Barbadoes, married to Henry Wickham, of a Yorkshire family. She was her husband's executrix in 1735, and died herself in 1751. *Vide* Coll. Topog.

7. In the parish church of All Saints, at Wainfleet, Lincoln, occur the following inscriptions:—

1694, Feb. 3, Samuel, son of Robert Archer, was buried.
1699, May 3, John Archer and Ann Hamblin were married.
1701, Dec. 14, Robert Archer was buried.

8. Robert Archer of Wainfleet was granted arms (*vide* Archer, Lincoln) in 1684.

Will of David Archer of Locksley, in the chapelry of Bradford, in the co. of York—Wood Collyer; will dated 3rd May, pro. 23 Nov. 1658. Testr. mentions his wife Elizabeth.

Will of Martin Archer of Uckley Hall, co. York, yeoman, dated 12 Oct., prov. 14 Dec. 1657. He mentions his eldest son James; his sons, Edward, and Richard, and John; Thomas, Richard, Martin, and Jane, the children of Richard; his grandson Martin, the son of James; his dau. Ann; his illegit. son Martin and his children, Matthew and Margaret. He desires to be buried at Kerkley-over-Bewett.

[1] Cal. Inquis. &c.

[2] Lincoln churches, Boston, 1848.

Will of John Archer of Everingham, co. York, gent., dated 16 Sep. 1657, pro. 18 Dec. Robert Shirburne, Esq., his sole execr. He leaves many legacies to the family of Sir William Constable, and his "cloke and hat to Mr. Robert Archer, of Etton."

Will of Theodore Archer, gent., of South Reston, co. Lincoln; dated 20 Nov. 1656, pro. 18 June, 1657. His only son Hamond Archer. Property in divers places, co. Lincoln. He mentions his brother Nathaniel and *his* wife Amy; their son Richard, and *his* son Hammond, under 16 years of age; his sister Fayth Bayly and her children, Philip and Nicholas. Testator also mentions his brothers and sisters—Henry, Mary, Elizabeth, and John.

Will of Thomas Archer of Louth, co. Lincoln, yeoman; date 14 Jan. 1647, pro. 10 Dec. 1648. His brother Henry. His children—1. Thomas. 2. Robert. 3. John. His dau. Elizabeth, m. to John Store. His freehold property in Louth. Mentions his cousin, William Clark, with his wife Elizabeth Clark.

Will of Nicholas Archer of Hustropp, parish of Willoughby, co. Lincoln, yeoman; date 29 June, 1643, pro. 31 May, 1652. His brothers—1. Theodore and *his* son Hamond. 2. Nathaniel and his three sons—Christopher, Nicholas, and Richard. 3. Lyon or Leon (deceased), and his sons, John and Henry. His sisters—1. Katherine Fawvell. 2. Faith Bayly. 3. —— Archer of Reston. His nephews, Nicholas and Philip Burwell, and his kinswoman, Anne Brumpton. His property, the manor called the Mote, or the Leke Mote, co. Lincoln.

Will of Thomas Archer, gent., of Royston, co. Cambridge; date 19 Mar. 1647, pro. 22 April, 1648. His deceased brother, Richard Archer, and the latter's children, Thomas and Elizabeth. His eldest son Thomas, m. to Elizabeth ——. His other sons, William and Richard. His daughters, Judith and Margaret; and his four married daughters, Mrs. Hamond, Brabone, Chiles[th], Hitch. His kinswomen, Barbary Chandler, and Elizabeth Newton, wife of Tho. N. of Puckeridge, co. Herts. His cousin, Bridget Waller. His sister's son, John Woodham.

Will of Henry Archer of Cambridge; date 25 Mar., pro. 7 Oct. 1656. Sons—1. Thomas. 2. Timothy. Daughters—1. Alice, m. to Philip Wickham; a son, Henry Wickham, left executor, though under age. 2. Ann, m. to Richard Mariott. Divers property in the Isle of Ely, Cambridge, and King's Lynn, Norfolk.

Will of Peter Archer of Wisbeck, in the Isle of Ely; dated 12 Dec. 1695, pro. 3 July, 1696. Mentions his sons, John and Peter, and his daughter Alice.[1]

[1] British Museum and Doctor's Commons.

Archer, of Stoke-Archer, Gloucestershire.

1. Nicholas Archer held two plough tillages in Stoke, 15 Ed. 1., by the service of providing a man with bow and arrows to attend the King's army forty days when it marched against the Welsh.[1]

Edmond Archer held Stoke-Archer, 7 E. 2. It was held of Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Gloucester and Hertford. Jeffrey Le Archer held the manor of Stoke-Archer, 24 E. 3, and Cicely his widow was seized of it the same year.

Mention is made by Rudders of a certain Robert Archer, who, in the 20th Hen. 3, acquired the manor of Shipton Solers in Gloucestershire, by his marriage with one of the co-heirs of Richard Cormeille. Stoke-Archer in Clare took the name of Archer from the family, surnamed Le Archer, which held a manor there by the service of providing a man with bow and arrows at their own charge.

Nicholas filius Nicholi le Archer, Wynneston, 60 acr. terr. & 40*s.* reddit ibm. Gloster, 31 Edw. 1.

Nichol. le Archer de Stokes, Stoke Manor, Gloucester (3 Edw. 2).

Galfridus le Archer, Archerstok Manor, Gloucester (*temp.* Edw. 3).—Calen. Inquis., &c., 1808.

2. At Doctors' Commons, London, there is recorded the will of Thomas Archer of Gloucester, 1645.[2]

3. 1791, ob. at Gloucester Mrs. Martha Archer. "She was a near relative of Lords Plymouth and Fortescue."

4. 1806, ob. at Cheltenham, æt. 55, "Clement Archer, M.D., husband of Lady Clonbrooke, niece to Lord Norbury."—(Gents' Mag.)

Will of William Archer of Meysey Hampton, co. Gloucester, merchant, &c. Mentions his brother Robert Archer and *his* nine children, viz.—Robert of Crickdale, Edward, John, Moses, Francis, Thomas, Samuel, Elizabeth, and Ellen. His sister Elizabeth, m. to Wm. Moulder, and their nine children. His cousin Francis Archer's son Francis.

Will of John Archer of Allington, co. Gloucester, clothier; Will dated 1649, Jan. 3, pro. 22 Aug. 1650. Testator mentions his wife "Margaret," his brother "Henry,"

[1] Rudder's Antiquities of Gloucestershire, 1779.
[2] Doctors' Commons, and Brit. Mus.

and his sisters, "Faith Archer, Mary Stanley, and Elizabeth Archer." His sons, "John," "Andrew," "James," "Benjamin," and his daughter "Ann." His executors—His *brother* (?), Richard Vaysee, and Thomas Marchant.

Will of Robert Archer of Meysey Hampton, co. Gloucester; Will dated 10 Aug. 1656, pro. 30 July, 1660. Testator mentions his brother William; his brother-in-law, Alexander Cleeve; Alice Kent, a daughter of Alexander Cleeve; his cousin, Fras. Archer of Fairford; his brother-in-law, Robert Blick; and his nephews, Robert, William, and Edward, sons of the last named.

Will of Thomas Archer of Sherborne, co. Glouc., shepd.; dated 30 Dec. 1644, pro. 9th Aug. 1645. His sisters—1. Annis. 2. Margaret. 3. Joune. Legacy to his sister's son, Richard Hoorchead.

Archer of Little Heny, Essex.

This family appears to have been connected with one of the same name in Gloucestershire. In his notice of Bourchier's Hall in that county, Morant has these words, "There is another (estate) sometimes called a manor and named Archer's, from its ancient owners, for Robert Archer held half a knight's fee here of John de Vere, Earl of Oxford, in 1366." "John Archer," continues the same author in another place, "did homage to the Earl of Oxford at Hedingham Castle, 2nd Feb. 1497, for a moiety of this manor" (Little Heny), "then called Le Ry." "Nicholas Archer, succeeding his father, paid a relief in 1500."[1]

Archer, Henry,[2] original grant of Arms to of Theydon Gernon, co. Essex, 1575, April 2.

Affidavit of Edward Archer,[3] 1625, April 19.

Court roll of Heningham Upland, admitting Geo. Legon, on surrender of Edward Archer,[4] to be tenant of a messuage in Rookley Green, 1620, Oct. 17. Prefixed is Court roll, admitting Edward Archer as tenant of the same on surrender of Robt. Bootwith, Sept. 23, 1619.

A grant of Arms in the State Paper Office, London:—

Simon *de Bow* of Theydon Gernon, co. Essex, gent., was at the battle of Agincourt, and changed his name to *Archer* by command of K. Hen. V. He was represented

[1] Morant's Antiquities of Essex, 1768. Calendarum Rotulorum Chartarum, 1803.
[2] S. P. O. Dom. Eliz., vol. ciii. [3] S. P. O. Dom. Car. 1. [4] S. P. O. Dom. Jas. 1.

successively by his son John; his grandson Richard, son of John; his great-grandson William, 2nd son of Richard; and his great-great-grandson Henry Archer, son of William.[1]

Harl. MSS. 6065, Plut. LVII. B. Visitation of Essex, 1612.

"The Visitation of Essex made A.D. 1612 by John Raven, Richmond Herald-of-Arms, by virtue of a deputation from the learned Camden, Clarenceaux King-of-Arms. Hen. Lily Rouge Rose.

"John de Boys als. Archer, sonne and haire to Symond," had three sons—

1. Richard, heir, m. Joanne, dau. and heire to John Revell of Newport Pond, in com. Essex. This Richard Archer was styled of Thedangernon, in com. Essex, Esquire.
    1. Robert, gent., m. to Joanne Rowgood, and had two sons—
        1. Richard Archer, gent, m. Margaret, dau. to —— Kent, and had two sons—
            1. Edward.
            2. Richard.
        2. William m. Agnes, dau. to John Danyell of Brentwood, Essex, and had two sons—
            1. Henry Archer of Thedongernon, in com. Essex, Esquire, m. Ann . . . .
            2. Richard m. Ann, dau. of John Lynnett.
2. Thomas, 3rd son, m. . . . . and had two sons—
    1. John m. Joanne, dau. of Horsmonden of . . . and had a son—
        1. John of London m. "Maudelyn, dau. to —— Saundersonne" of London, and had six children—
            1. Killingis, son and heir, ob. *s.p.*
            2. Henry m. Anne, dau. and co-heir of Giles Crouch of Gwan Chase, in com. Kent, and had five sons and two daughters—
                1. John m. Margaret, dau. of Sir Geo. Thornhill, in co. York, Kt. and Bart.
                2. Henry, ob. *inf.*
                3. Giles, ob. *inf.*

[1] MSS. Brit. Mus.

4. Richard, d. *s.p.*
5. Giles.
6. Madelin m. Wm. Barkley of London, descended from the Berkleys of Salop.
7. Ann m. Nicholas Nanffont.

3. Jayne, d. s.p.
4. Cissely m. John Castrell of Gloucester.
5. Ann.
6. Mary m. Francis Gavell of Caham, Surrey.

2. Thomas (issue unknown).

3. John (2nd son) of Baker in Eppinge, in com. Essex, gent., m. Ellen, dau. of Sansham als. Sanshan, and had three sons—

1. John of Bocking, father to "Miss Henshaw."
2. William of "Eppinge, in com. Essex, 3rd sonne," m. Isabell, dau. to Jno. Serle of Northhall Bassett, in com. Essex, gent., and had five children—
    1. Henry of Stone-place, in the parish of Langdon-hill, in co. Essex, gent., m. Clemence, dau. to Bridges of Felsted, in com. Essex, gent., and had—
        1. Henry, son and heir, A.D. 1634.
        2. Edward.
        3. John, d. *s.p.*
        4. Edward, d. *s.p.*
    2. Judith m. Geo. Campion of Eppinge.
    3. Francis.
    4. Elizabeth m. to Stacy of Eppinge.
    5. Daye m. to R. Spranger of Northwell Bellet.
3. Henry of Coopersale als. Gernon m. . . . and had—
    1. Stephen.
    2. Thomas.
    3. Simon.

FROM BERRY'S GENEALOGIES, AND HERALDS' VISITATION OF 1619.

Archer or Aucher—Ermine on a chief azure 3 lions rampant, Or—quartering St. Leger, Petevin, and Ottringden.

Thomas Archer, Lord of Lossenham, and lands, co. Essex, had a son, Nicholas Aucher or Archer m. a dau. of Oxenbridge, of Bread, co. Sussex, and had a son—

Henry Archer m. Elizabeth, d. of Jno. Diggs, of Berham, Kent, Esq. Their son—

Henry Archer, of Ottringden, Kent, m. 1st, Isabella, d. of — Towne of Throwley, co. Kent, by whom he had no issue; 2nd, Mary or Joan, d. of Thos. St. Leger, of Ottringden, and had a son—

Henry Archer, of Ottringden, *temp.* Hen. 6, m. Alice Boleyn, and had two sons—

1. John of Ottringden m. Alice Church.
(2. Henry.)

This John Archer of Ottringden, had by his wife Alice Church, two sons and two daughters—

1. Marmaduke (of whom nothing is known).

*2. James Aucher of Ottringden, m. Alice, d. of Thos. Hill, Esq. (and re-married a daughter of Jas. Hardres of Hardres, Esq.) and had by her—

1. Sir Anthony Aucher, Kt., of Ottringden, m. Affra, dau. of Wm. Corballis or Cornwallis, com. Norfolk, by whom he had—

†1. Edward Aucher of Bourne, Kent, m. Mabel, dau. of Sir Thos. Wrothe, Kt., and had—

1. Anthony Aucher of Bourne, Kent, buried at Bishop's Bourne, 13 Jan. 1610, m. Margaret, d. of Edwin Sandys, Archbishop of York, and had four children, the eldest—

*3. Jane Aucher, m. to Thos. Corbett.

*4. Elizabeth Aucher, m. to Thos. Berham.

†2. Susanna.

†3. Thomas, d. *s.p.*

†4. William m. Alice, daughter of Edwin Mouns.

†5. John Aucher of Otterden, m. Ann, dau. of Sir Wm. Kellaway, Kt., and had a dau. and sole heiress—Ann Archer m. to Sir Humphrey Gilbert, Bart.

1. Sir Anthony Aucher, Kt., buried at Bishop's Bourne, 31st May, 1692, m. Hester, one of the daughters and co-heiresses of Peter Collett of London, by whom he had—
    1. Sir Anthony Aucher, created a Baronet; he m. 1st Elizabeth, dau. of Robt. Hatton, by whom he had—
        Elizabeth, ob. 1684.
        Anthony, ob. 1673.
    He m. 2nd, Elizabeth Hewett, and had—
        Sir Anthony, d. *s. p.* 1694.
        Sir Hewett, d. *s. p.* 1726.
        Hester.
        Elizabeth.
    2. Edwin Aucher of Willesbro', m. Mary, dau. of John Gibbon of Bourne, and died in 1679, leaving—
        1. Anthony, Prebendary of Canterbury, 1701.
        2. Margaret.
        3. Hester.
        4. Elizabeth.
    3. Elizabeth m. Sir W. Hamon, Kt.
    4. Margaret m. Sir Roger James, Kt.
2. Elizabeth m. to Sir Wm. Lovelace of Bettersden.

Archer of Coopersale, Essex.

The Archers of Coopersale, or Coppersall, have also the patronymic of De Bois, or De Boys. The name of Coppersall in the hundred of Ongar, says Morant, "doth not occur in records before King James I. time."[1] The family of Archer, continues the same writer, "derive themselves from Simon de Bois, who attended King Henry Vth at the Battle of Agincourt, for which service he received a pension. This Simon, at a shooting-match at Havreing near Bower with the said King, performed so well, that the King ordered his name should be changed to Archer." Simon's successors were—

1. John. 2. John. 3. Richard. 4. William. 5. Henry, 1615.

[1] Morant's Antiquities of Essex, 1768.

The manor of Netherhall, Harlow, passed to John Archer of this family.

The Archer-Burtons of Woodlands, Hants, now represent this family, in consequence of the marriage of Anne, sole heiress of John Archer of Ongar, Park Hall, with John South, Esq. of Latton, Essex, the father of the present Lancelot Archer-Burton, Esq.

Archer of Malgraves Manor, Essex.

Edward Archer, gent., who died 27th April 1600, held this manor, containing by estimation 350 acres, and Malgrave Mead 10 acres. Whether he acquired this manor by marriage with its heiress or not, there is nothing to show. He left a son, Henry, who died 16th November 1623, and *his* son and heir was Henry; but after him we find no mention of the family. Edward Archer of Malgraves, was also proprietor of the manor of Goldsmiths in Essex.

"Sir John Archer, one of the Justices of the Common Pleas Knighted at Whitehall, 4 Dec. 1663, sone to Esq. Archer at Coopersale in Essex by Epping." See the Grant of Arms at Lenton to Henry Archer of Theydon Gernon, Esq. by Robt. Cook, dated 20 April 1575, 48 Eliz. in Morgan's Heraldry, lib. ii. cap. 7, p. 75. On a cross sab. a cres. arg.[1]

Huntingfield Court, Essex.

The third part of this manor fell by marriage to Captain James Archer, E.I.C.S., on his marriage with Anne Hasted.

Archer—Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, Herefordshire, Hampshire.

1. "In the chancel of the church of Houghton-Conquest, Bedfordshire, is the monument of Thomas Archer, Rector of Houghton-Conquest, instituted in the reign of Queen Elizabeth—who inserted many historical notes in the parish register there." "It appears that he preached before the King (James I.) at Hawnes, 1605, on the text from the Song of Solomon—'Take us the foxes,' &c. After this the preacher was sworn one of His Majesty's chaplains in ordinary. He preached before the King and Queen at Todington, 1608, and again at Bletsoe, 1612." "Anno 1623," says Mr.

[1] Harl. MS. 5801, f. 81.

Archer in the parish register, "I caused my grave to be made with brick, and I made my coffin, whereon are set these figures, 1623."

"The effigies of the deceased, who died in 1631, is represented in canonicals in his pulpit, with cushion and book before him."[1]

Dr. Thomas Archer was Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, A.M., in 1582; and Chaplain to his near kinsman, Dr. John May, Bp. of Carlisle, in Nov. 1584. On the death of Bp. May, in 1599, he became chaplain to Archbp. Whitgift.

In 1589, he was presented to Houghton Conquest. In 1605, he preached before K. James at Hawnes (or Haynes as it is now called) from Song of Solomon, ii. 15, and was immediately sworn in as King's Chaplain.

EXTRACT FROM DR. ARCHER'S BOOK OF MEMORANDA.

"King Jeames at Houghton Churche on our feast day, 28 July, 1605.

The 28 of July being our Towne feast day, and the Sonday after St. Jeames in Anno 1605 Regni Regis Jacobi Tertio King Jeames King of great Brittane ffrance and Ireland was in his Ryal person present in the Church of Houghton Conqust, whear he hard Divine service and a sermon preached by one Mr. Baly Chapleine to the to the Erle of Suffolck. At w^ch^ tyme his maiestie was attended with Diuerse noblemen as the Duke of Linnox, Henry Howard Earle of Northampton Thomas Howard Earle of Suffolck and Lord Chamberlaine Robert Cycill Earle of Salsburie, Charles Blunt Earle of Denshire the Earle of Penbrock and the Earle of Mongomry the Lord Knowles the Lord Wotton and the Lord Stanhope with Dr. Watson Bishope of Cchichester and Almoner to the Kinge Dr. Montegue Deane of the Chappell And Dr. Neile Clerk of the closset."[2]

Noblemen attending the Kinge.

[1] Lysons. The inscription in Lysons is not quite correctly copied. The word is *posuit* not *posui*. The words *Veniet*, &c., are on the stone covering the grave.

[2] On the other side of the folio 34 there are the following curious entries:—

An epitaph of Thomas Bulward who had bine Clerk of Houghton Conquest for the space of ffyftie yeeres compleat, who deceased the third day of Aprill, Anno Dom. 1626.
æt, Regni Regis Caroli, secundo.

In w^ch^ night the Church of Houghton was robbed, the theeves braking in at the window of the North side of the Church, who with a coulter of a plough brake open the vestry dore, And did steale and carrie away from thence, A newe Surplesse, also a faire linnen diaper cloth, used

He preached also

Before the King and Queen at Toddington, July 24, 1608.—TEXT, *Col.* iii. 1.

"Seek those things that are above."

and

Before the King at Bletsoe, July 26, 1612.—TEXT, *St. Luke*, xviii. v. 10.

as appears by the two next entries.

Dr. Thos. Archer's Monument is mural, and of stone . . He is represented as preaching, being in a niche. Over the arch of the niche are these words, "Sustine et abstine." On the stone beneath the cushion are the following words: "Intus: si bene ne: labora." On one side, on the middle of an Ionic Pilaster, with an hourglass

on Sundayes to be layd over the Communion Table, And they brake up twoe locks of the poore mans box, and carred away all such mony as they found in the Box.

Of Thomas Bullward Clerke who dyed the third of Aprill, 1626, in the eveninge.

Reast the well Bulward for since thou lost thie breath
Wee all doe see, No man can be exempt from death,
For what will death doe, unto the simple slave,
That durst assault him, who made for death a grave.
In peace sleep on good Bulward of the we have no need,
For William day is chosen clerke allreadie in thy steade
The Saunce Bell now hath trincled by the all that it can,
And now by thie death, Thou showest thou wert a man.

Theeves after thie death expected, an Alteration
Els would they never, have broken into the Church in such a fashion
But theeves to be puritans oh! it is strange to affirm or say
But puritans they wear, for they stole the Surplesse awaye
Charitie to the poore sure they had none, But sutle like a fox,
Braking into the Church, they Robd the pore man's Box.

Piclocks they scorned for to use, They had a strike in store
They with the coulter of a plough, Brake ope the Vestrie dore
And fynding ther noe coine, They grewe to be full of wroth
And in ther Thevish humour stole away a new communion cloth
Thus in one night, we lost our Clerke, Broke was our Vestrie dore
The communion cloth was stolne away, And Robbed wer the poore.

[In the margin opposite to this last poem, there is the following entry:—"The Church window they brake with the coulter of a plough, wrested an Iron Barr in the window *apeces*. by the North dore." The word *apeces*, i.e., in pieces, is worth noting.]

[The Thomas Bulward mentioned above scratched his name upon the Pillar which supports the Tower Arch, where it still remains.]

above the words, "Sic transit vita;" on the opposite side, in the same position, with a death's-head above it, is the motto, "Respice finem," and beneath, the following Inscription:—

"INSTRUXI : VIVENS : MULTOS :
"NUNC : INSTRUO : CUNCTOS :
"QUOD : STRUIT : UNA : DIES :
"DESTRUIT : UNA : DIES : SIC :
"SPECIOSA : RUIT : SPACIOSI :
"FABRICA : MUNDI : SIC : ORITUR :
"MORITUR : VERMIS : INERMIS :
"HOMO : O : ME : FELICEM : QUI :
"CARNIS : FASCE : SOLUTUS :
"MUTAVI : VERIS : VITREA : VANA : BONIS :"

On a tablet below the monument:—

FUI THOMAS ARCHER
CAPELLANUS REGIS JACOBI
RECTOR HUJUS ECCLESIÆ
PER ANNOS QUADRAGINTA
HOC POSUIT ANNO
DOMINI 1620
ANNO ÆTATIS 76.

Above the monument are his Arms, with those of his wife, in stone, painted.

In 1629, he made a monument for himself, and died in 1630 (1631 according to the present reckoning.)

His burial is entered thus:—Mr. Thomas Archer, Parson of Houghton Conquest, was buried the 20th January, 1630.

A.D. 1638. Anna Archer, sepulta Aug. 21st (his widow).

Dr. Archer left £100. to be laid out in land for the advantage of the poor of his parish, and the rent of the Poor's Pightles (pightle, a small field) is duly divided according to his Will every year about Christmas.

Dr. Thomas Archer, Rector of Houghton Conquest, &c. Bequests under his Will:—

1. A piece of land of £1. per ann. or failing this, £20. to be thus bestowed, 10*s.* for a sermon on Trinity Sunday annually, and 4*d.* to each of twenty poor persons till all be spent.

2. His Great Bible of the last edition, which cost £2. 3*s.*, and is bossed with plate, and buffed in back with buff leather, to the Church at Houghton [Lost].
3. To Meppershall, whereof I was some time the unworthy minister, £10. to the poor, either at once or as principal for a perpetual revenue.
4. To the poor. (He expresses £1. by "*twenty shillings*," sometimes adding "*in gold.*")
   (1) Of Ampthill, £1. 6*s.* 8*d.* (3) Of Millbrook, 13*s.* 4*d.*
   (2) Of Shefford, £1. 6*s.* 8*d.* (4) Of Maulden, £1.
   (5) Poor prisoners of Bedford "Goale," £1.
5. To lame Charles Foster of Ampthill, 3*s.* 4*d.*
6. To Anne Archer, his "beloved wife," £350. and his folio English Bible, ed. 1582.
6. To his "*cousen Timothy Archer*," all his "Note Books on Divinity, hoping he will continue and become a profitable member and minister in the church of God. Also to make him a ring, if he pleases, £1. *in gold, and a gown which was sometime* HIS FATHER'S, which his mother gave me after my BROTHER'S death."[1]
7. To the four children of Timothy Archer, viz., Elizabeth, Frances, John, and Mary, to each of them £2.
8. To my loving sister ELIZABETH ARCHER, of London, a piece of gold of twenty shillings, and to *my cousin Yeene* and my wife, to each of them in gold, twenty shillings.
9. To my COSEN JOHN ARCHER, of London, DRAPER, in gold, £1.
   To my *cousen Francis* Archer of *London, Glover*, £1.
10. To my *cousen Anthony* Archer, my godson, in money, £1.
11. To *Edward Archer* and *Nicholas Archer* dwelling by *Sudbury*, to each of them, in money, £1.
12. If there be any of the children of my sister *Bentley*, to each of them, £1. that shall take notice of my death.
13. To my *cousen William Major* of *St. Edmundsbury*, and *Katharine* his wife, to each of them, in gold, £1.
14. To MY COUSEN *Mr. Whiting*, Chaplain to the Earl of Bedford, in gold, 10*s.*
15. *To my cousen Mrs.* ELIZABETH ANSTELL, of Barford, in gold, £1.
16. To Sir Edmund Conquest and Lady Elizabeth his wife, £1. each in a piece of gold, and all their children 5*s.* in gold each.
    Sir Rich. Conquest, Sir F. Clarke and his wife, each £1. in gold.

[1] *Q.*, Was not Ty. Archer his nephew?

Mr. L. Conquest and his wife, "a piece of gold of twenty shillings" each.

To two other Conquests, 5*s*. each. Mrs. Anne Conquest, £1.

Mr. Awdley, £1. Mrs. E. Awdley, 10*s*.

To three other persons 10*s*. each; to George Noble and his wife, £1. each, and to his god-daughter Margaret Noble, £2.

17. To J. Weaver and J. Whitaker, 2*s*. 6*d*. each, "to buy if they please, a pair of gloves." To 18 ministers of neighbouring parishes, to each in gold, *five shillings*, to buy if they please, a pair of Gloves.

To *Alice Wheeler*, widow of Mr. R. W., Minister of Kempston, £1.

18. *To John Wheeler and F. Wheeler his sister*, my servants, £5. each. To two god-daughters, 2*s*. 6*d*. each. To Wm. Fynner and Anne Robinson, *my servants*, 5*s*. each; and W. Day, Clerke of Houghton, and J. Chesne, do. of Meppershall, 5*s*. each.

Sole executrix, and residuary legatee, Anne Archer. Mr. Th. Audley, the elder, and Mr. Lewis Conquest, supervisors and overseers of the Will.

(*Witnesses to the Will of Thomas Archer of Houghton Conquest*).

"Witnesses, as a true copy, of the original, to this Will:—

"John Parote, Roger Tuthill, Henry Pigott.

"Witnesses to the original Will written by myself, Henry Pigott."

A Latin P.S. states the Will to have been proved at Bedford, March 2, 1630.

Dr. Archer gave a silver chalice with a cover to Houghton Church, which is still in use. Dr. Archer, in his MS. Book, mentions the weight and cost of this cup. The whole cost was £6. 11*s*.[1]

Dr. Archer's Arms were—Azure 3 arrows argent.[2] His initials are frequently found with an arrow in pale, point upwards, between them.

On the lid of the chalice above-mentioned, Thomas Archer's arms are represented impaled with "Between 3 lions' heads affrontée, a hound courant, all within a border engrailed (no tinctures)."[3]

[1] I am indebted to the courtesy of the Rev. H. J. Rose, the present Rector of Houghton Conquest, for the notes.

[2] Might they not have been originally "Or"? His cousin's (Dr. Timothy Archer's) Arms at Meppershall are—Azure, 3 arrows Or, two and one.

[3] The tinctures should be—Sable for the field, azure for the charges, and gules for the border. This appears to be the coat of arms of Heneage.

This family of Archer appears certainly to have been a branch of that of Umberslade, for all the members of it bore the same Arms; a *liberty* which would not have been tolerated at *that* period, and in the days too, of the particular Sir Simon Archer—the friend of Dugdale.

Meppershall, Bedfordshire.—In the parish church here, there is a monument to Dr. Timothy Archer, similar to that of his relative at Houghton Conquest. He is represented as preaching in a cassock and bands, with a red cushion before him. The figure is half length, and about the size of life. The doctor wears a moustache and imperial; the whole is of painted stone or marble. The arched canopy enclosing the figure is adorned with ears of ripe corn, an hour glass, scull and cross bones, and sundry other emblems of time and mortality. The Coat of Arms surmounting the canopy bears the the following blazon:—"Azure three broad arrows, points down, Or,"—impaling "Or, 3 garbs gules."[1]

The inscription on the monument is as follows:—

"Timothius Archer"
Sac. Theol. profess^{r}. per 42 annos
Rector huius ecclesiæ ecclesiæ et de Blunham
Multos expertus casus
Sæquestratus et post longum restitutus
Hic tandem in pace requiescit
Obijt 2$_{d}$° Decemberis 1672
ætatis suæ 75.

Entries in the Parish Registers of Meppershall:—

A.D. 1680. May 4. Buried John Archer, gent. and Citizen of the parish of St. Michæl, Cornhill, London.—(*Vide* Will of John Archer, 1680, Doctors' Commons.)

1685. Buried Rebecca, the relict of Dr. Archer, Dec. 4.

1672. Dr. Archer was buried ye 5 of December.

N.B.—During the Sequestration of Dr. Archer, Richard Woolhouse seems to have been officiating minister.[2]

HEREFORD.

2. Robertus Archer (de valore terr. Hereford, 28 Henry 3).

3. Nicholas le Archer—Tatinton, Bollinghope, Dehangue, Hereford (8 Edw. I.)

4. Willûs Ingayn de Aston et Hawysia le Archer uxor ejus—Aston Manor, Hereford.[3]

[1] These are the arms of Berkly, Yorkshire, Gwillim.
[2] Rev. J. H. Howlett.
[3] Calend. Inquis. and Calend. Rot. 1803.

HAMPSHIRE.

5.*At the District Registry, Winchester, are recorded the following Wills:—

1665. Richard Archer of Bramshaw. Probate.
1666. Walter Archer of Milbrook. „
1690. Edward Archer of Gosport. "Mariner of the Ship Edgar."

* The following are extracts from the above Wills:—

Richard Archer of Bramshaw, Southampton, co. date May 16, 1664, "Being sorry from the bottom of my soul for my sinnes," &c. &c. He leaves his real estate at Lee to his wife Ann Archer, in life rent, and in remainder to his eldest son Richard Archer. Portions to his other sons (minors), John, George, and Robert, and to his daughters Mary and Christian. His "draft table and silver bowle" to his eldest son. Legacies to his cousins Joan Deluke, William Archer of Wimborne, and Ann L(?)ember. His executors, his wife's uncle, Robert Stainsmow, and likewise Richard Alberryes. Witnesses, Wm. Martin, and John and Eliab Webb.

Walter Archer of Milbrook, Southampton, co. His wife Dorothy, nephews Thomas Friar, John and Edward Archer, niece Mary Archer. Executor, William Horne. Inventory of effects signed by his wife, and John Symonde, John Allen, and Robert Bernand. His seal is round, and bears the device of a heraldic griffin segreant.

At a deputation of burgesses, 1554 (*temp.* Q. Mary), Thomas Archer was chosen with fifteen other burgesses.

Will of Edward Archer of Portsmouth, gent., Will dated 1 Jan. 1686. prov. 1 Mar. 1687. His wife Joane, and his children, Charles and Martha. His property in Portsmouth, Arundel, and Chidham, co. Sussex. Leaves his books to his clerk, Chas. Bissell.

HERTFORD.

1664. Thomas Archer was town-clerk of Hertford.

1682. John Archer was assistant chamberlain of Hertford.[1]

Will of James Archer, sen., of Startford, co. Hertford, date 2 June, prov. 3rd July, 1655. His sister "Honiwood," a widow; another sister "Browne." His cousin

[1] Chauncey's Antiq. of Hertfordshire: Lond. 1700.

Mary Archer, and her children, Thomas, William, James, and Mary. His cousin John Sich. Legacies to Sarah, George, and Margaret Archer.

Will of Edward Archer of Little Berkhamstead, co. Hertford, date 30 July, 1655, prov. 1656. His copyhold property in Little Berkhamstead. His children—1. Edward, under age; 2. Marie or Mary, under age.

Archer—Leicestershire.

In his Antiquities of this county, Nicholls, quoting Wadland's MS. N. on Dugdale's Warwickshire, mentions that, in the time of Henry 2, one Picot Archer made a gift of certain land in Drayton to the nuns of Polesworth—"Picot Archer dedit nunnis de Polesworth temp. Hen. 2 bona pro portione terre in Drayton."[1] Who this Picot Archer was, we have been unable with any certainty to determine.

Some centuries subsequently, we find that Richard Archer, a baillie and collector of Leicester, received a grant of land from his townsmen for services rendered to the city. In an ancient MS. the transaction is thus given: "At a hall for agreement with Richard Archer for his travel for four years in obtaining this free farm, and in consideration that by his diligence and knowledge the particulars contained in the grant of the Queen" (Elizabeth) "to the town was found out," &c. "And whereas the said Archer hath by grant of the corporation 2 yards of land in the south field of Leicester."

In the charter to Leicester, June 1st, in the 41st year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, the name of Richard Archer again occurs as one of the selected "company of eight and forty."

At Doctors' Commons, London, there is to be found the will of a certain Richard Archer of Leicester, dated 1640.

There is also on record a lease of Wigston's Hospital, Leicestershire, dated August 2, 1672, to Robert Archer, gent., at a rent of 30*s.* per an. And again, in the "Accounts" of Hungary Newbury, relative to the same transaction, 1686, there occurs the item of £1. 10*s.* paid to Mrs. Archer.[2]

At the District Registry of Leicester occur the following entries of Wills and Administrations:—

[1] Nicholls' Antiq. of Leicestershire.

[2] Nicholls.

WILLS.

1622	Archard	John	Diseworth
1622	Another the same.		
1628	Archer	William	Melton
1628	„	John	Markefield
1634	„	William	Norton
1639	„	Richard de	Wiverly
1673	„	Thomas	Whitwick

ADMINISTRATIONS.

1636—Robert Archer of Melton Mowbray.
1636—James Archer of Melton Mowbray.
1681—John Archer of Earl Shilton.

In the church of Stretton en le Field, W. Goscote, are the arms of Umberslade, and in E. Goscote for Archer. Arg. on a bend engr. sab., 3 mascles or.[1]

Will of Richard Archer of Wyverlie, co. Leic., Yeoman, Date 17 Jan., Prov. 17 Feb. 1640. His brothers—1. John, m. and with 2 children, viz., Valentine and Anne. 2. Henry, of Wavens Wotton, co. Warwick, Yeoman, with children.

His brother-in-law, James Levett, of Whisendine, co. Rutland, Yeoman, and his children, Richard, James, and Anne.

Archer—Berks.

The Archers who settled at Welford about 1650 became extinct in the male line on the decease of John Archer, Esq. of Welford, and, as it appears, also of Coopersale, Essex,[2] leaving (by his wife, Lady Mary Fitzwilliam, daughter of John, second Earl of Fitzwilliam) an only daughter and heiress, Susanna, married to Jacob Houblon, Esq., of Hallingbury, Essex.[3]

"Welford House," says Lyson, "may be reckoned amongst the deserted and dilapidated mansions of the extinct gentry."[4]

Welford, in the hundred of Faircross, is a manor which had belonged to the abbot and

[1] Nicholls.
[2] There are about 12 vols. of MSS. concerning this family in the Cottonian Library, Plymouth.
[3] Morant. [4] Lyson.

convent of Abingdon, and descended from John Archer, some time one of the Barons of the Exchequer, whose son settled at Welford in consequence of his marriage with the daughter and heiress of Richard Jones of that place. Abraham Jones, the first of the family (his grandfather), settled at Welford, was son of Sir Francis Jones, alderman of London.

The manor of Peysmer or Peasmore, in Berks, was bequeathed in 1776 by Mr. Shirley to John Archer, Esq. of Welford.

Sir John Archer, Knight, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Court of Common Pleas, who married Eleanor, daughter of Sir John Curzon of Kedlestone, Bart.—so created 17 Charles I.,—was the first Archer of Welford.[1]

PEDIGREE OF ARCHER OF WELFORD.

Simon de Boys, or Archer, had a son—

John Archer, who had two sons—

1. John Archer.
2. Richard Archer, had a son (2nd.)

William Archer, whose son—

Henry Archer, Esq. of Coopersale, m. Ann, dau. of Simon Crouch, Alderman of London, and died 1615.

Henry Archer had by his wife, Ann Crouch, a son—

Sir John Archer, Kt. one of the Judges of the Common Pleas, who was born in 1598. He married Eleanor, dau. of Sir John Curzon, of Kedlestone, Derbyshire, and by her had a son and a daughter.

1. John, of Welford, Berks, ob. *s. p.* 1705, m. the daughter and co-heiress of Richard Jones, son of Sir Francis Jones.
2. Eleanor Archer m. William Eyre, who assumed the name of Archer, and had—
   1. Susanna, m. to the 4th Earl of Oxford.
   2. Michael assumed the name (2nd son) of Newton.
   3. John, m. Lady Mary, dau. of Earl Fitzwilliam, and had two daurs.
      1. Charlotte, m. Gillory Piggott, Esq. and d. *s. p.* 1819.
      2. Susanna, m. Jacob Houblon, Esq. and from them are descended the Houblon Archers.

[1] Collins' Peerage; also Record Office, Fetter Lane, London:—"1661. John Archer, Serjeant-at-law in Barbadoes, receives a free pardon, and is appointed a Justice of the Bench in England." Sir John Archer had been a Republican, holding office under Cromwell's Government.

In the church of Uffington, near Farringdon, there is a curious old monument, evidently that of a member of the Umberslade family from the arms (viz., 3 broad arrows impaling a field charged with a chevron.) It bears the following inscription:— "Here lieth the bodie of Edwarde Archer, Esquire, buried the 27 Daie of Julie and in the first yere of the reign of our Sovereigne Lorde, King James, and in the yere of our Lorde God, 1603."[1]

Will of Edward Archer of Wicklestome, in the parish of Faringdon, co. Berks, yeoman. Will dated 4 May, 1649, pro. 8 April, 1652. Testator mentions his wife Margaret; his brother William, of Great Coxwell, and his children; his godson, Edward Symmons, to whom he leaves the bulk of his property. He directs that he may be buried at Shillingford.

In an ancient charter occurs the name of Ausgerus or Aucherius, the second Abbot of the Abbey of Reading, Berks, who "founded a house near the church, dedicated to St. Mary Magdalen, for poor lepers."[2] Probably these names of the second Abbot are synonymous with Archer;[3] and this supposition seems the more plausible, as, in the time of King Henry I., Robert Archer of Tanworth held seven manors in this county; and moreover, St. Mary Magdalen was the patron of the family chapel of the Archers of Tanworth, Warwickshire.[4]

At Doctors' Commons, London, is recorded the will of Richard Archer of Berks, 1643.

Archers of Westmoreland and Cumberland.

1. The name of Archer does not appear to have been at any time common in the north of England.

We occasionally find allusions to a family of this name settled at Oxenholme, Cumberland. Burke mentions the marriage of the widow of John Archer, Esq. of

[1] At the Record Office, Fetter Lane, London, occurs the following preferment in an old MS. volume:—

"Car. 2. Anno duodecimo, Edward Archer of Barbadoes ('instituted'), to the Living of Hinton, in England."

I have not been able to discover whether Edward Archer ever returned to England.

[2] England and Wales, by Britton and Brayley: Lond. 1801. [3] Dugdale. [4] Jacob.

Oxenholme with Thos. Strickland, Esq. of Sizergh, and in Nicholson's "Cumberland" we find that Elizabeth, daughter of John Archer, Esq. of Oxenholme, *Westmoreland*, married Dr. Nicholson, Archbishop of Cashel (1655-1726).

2. The advowson of the Church of Aldstone, Cumberland, at one time was divided between Arthur Lee and Thomas Archer.

3. In Wetheral church in this county, in the Chapel of the Howards, is the monument by Nollekens of the Hon. Maria, wife of Henry Howard, Esq., and daughter of the last Lord Archer. She died 1789.

4. Geo. Hinde, Esq., of Stelling Hall, devised his property to his nephew, William Archer, failing whom to the 2 daughters of his sister Mary, who was married to William Archer, Esq., of Easington, co. Durham.

Archer of London and Surrey.

The name of Archer, as might be expected, is common about the metropolis, but none bearing it appears ever to have attained to any eminence or celebrity.

1. Frat. Tho. L'Archer prior (St. Jno. Hier.) obijt xxviij. die Augusti, A.D., M.CCC.XXIX.—Hic dedit sororibus de Bukland, XL. s, Annuatim in perpetuum percipiend' de Maneriis de Hidon pertin' ad Templecombe.[1]

Thomas L'Archer, in Cripplegate, St. Giles', 18 Edw. 2.

2. In the parish of Low Layton is a monument of stone on which is a brass plate bearing this inscription—

"Here, under this stone, lyeth buried the body of Henry Archer of Layton, Esquire, who deceased the 4th day of October in the year our Lord, 1585, being of the age of 59."

In the work from which we quote[2] the author adds: "This gentleman gave to the parish wherein he lived 20 shillings a-year to be disposed to such poor people as should be at church on Whitsunday."

[1] Malcolm's London. [2] Manning's History of Surrey.

"I meet with one Henry Archer (whether this or some other of the name, I know not), who was one of the guards to the Earl of Leicester when Lord-Lieutenant in the Low Countries. He wrote of the exploits of the English in those countries against the Spaniards, 1585, which F. Stowe made use of in his Annals, in one page whereof he thus acknowledgeth:—'Thus far I have received advertisement from my good friend and dear kinsman Henry Archer, one of his Excellency's guards.'"[1]

3. Henry Archer, 1461, Rector of Rotherhithe.

4. Henry Archer, 1465, Rector of Titsey.

5. Sir Henry Archer's daughter, married, Oct. 13, 1572, Francis Govell.

6. Mr. Archer, Chaplain of Southwark, 1626.

7. John Archer, M.A., Vicar of Brixton, 1643.

8. John Archer[2] (Lambeth) Proclamation for apprehending John Archer and other rebellious persons, May 15, 1640 (temp. Charles I.).

9. Captain William Archer, and his lieutenant, Elias Archer, served under Sir William Waller when he "beat the King's troops at Alton, 1643." An account of this engagement was written and published by Elias Archer, 1643.

10. Esther, daughter of John Archer, D.D., and Susannah his wife, Baptised at Allhallows Church, Lombard Street, London, April 2, 1665.

11. 1717, ob. Lieut. General John Archer (Gents. Mag.).

12. Anchor Archer claims an interest in the mansion of John Webbe, Esq., a recusant, lately known by the name of the Mitre Tavern, Fleet-street, London. Elizabeth, his wife. Both living 1655.

13. Harl. MS. 1463-836.

Visitation of London, 1568, 1634, and Harl. MS. 1464, p. 28.

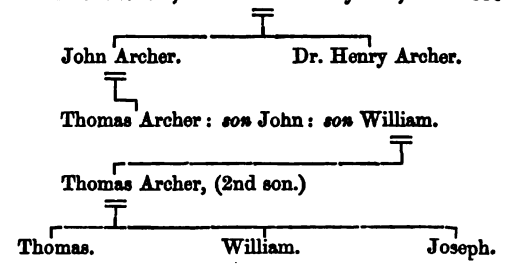
"JOHN ARCHER." *Arms.*—Erm. a Cross, Sable, charged with an Annulet.

[1] Strype's Survey of London.

[2] John Archer, on the 21st May, 1640, was taken into custody, for having been one of those who attacked the Palace of Archbishop Laud at Lambeth. He was the last person subjected to the torture in England.—Knight's England.

ARCHER.

(Communicated, but not authenticated.)



N.B. *Arms.*—Azure, 3 Pheons Argent. *Crest.*—A Bear's Paw proper, holding an arrow of the second. *Motto.*—"Malo mihi quam fœdari."

EXTRACTS FROM INDEX TO PARLIAMENTARY PAPERS.

1644, Jan. 10. Report concerning John Archer—"To be thanked and desired to return into the country."

1659. Sergeant Archer constituted Justice of the Common Pleas till 30th June, &c.

1680. Petition of John Archer.

1689. John Archer before the Committee of Privileges.

1730. John and Richard Archer, their Petition.

1735. Petition of Richard Archer.

John Archer, Esq., fined Alderman and Sheriff, married Katherine, daughter and coheiress of Thomas Lange, of Camberwell, in Surrey, Esq.[1]

AUTHORS OF THE NAME OF ARCHER.

(Cat. Brit. Mus.)

1729. Edmundus Archer, author of "Vetera quædam monumenta ext. cum Trokelowe vita Edvardi 2." A. Thomas Hearne, ed. 8vo, c. m., Oxon. 1729.

1645. "The Personal Reigne of Christ upon Earth," by John Archer. London, 1645.

[1] Arms (no colour given), 3 arrows on an escutcheon of pretence, a bend between 3 mullets of six points pierced.—Harl. MS., 1086, p. 19.

1671. "Every man his own Doctor," by John Archer, M.D. London, 1671.

1711. "A Sermon" by the Rev. —— Archer. London, 1711.

1711. "A Sermon" by John Archer, Preacher of All Hallows, Lombard Street. London, 1711.

1730. John Archer "On Prayer." London, 1730.

Archer's "Life of Richard Cœur de Lion."

WILLS OF ARCHERS AT DOCTORS' COMMONS.

1649. Anne. Elias. John. Edward. William, *Durham*.
1650. Mary. John. William. Thomas.
1651. William. William. Joseph.
1652. Christopher. Thomas. Nicholas. Mary (2).
1654. Thomas. John. Margaret.
1655. James. Richard. Thomas. William.
1656. Humphry. Tabitha. Edward. John. Henry.
1657. Hercules. Edward. Thomas (2). John. Theodore. Martin.
1658. Catherine. David.
1659. Edward. Joseph. Richard (2). Charles. Miriam. Mariam. Ann.
1660. Edward. Francis. John. Robert. William.
1640. Richard, *Leicester*. William Archar, *Gloucestershire*.
1641. Mary Potter als Archer.
1642. Richard, *pts*. Roger, *pts*.
1643. Edward, *Middlesex*. Thomas, *Lincoln*.
1645. John, *pts*. Thomas, *Gloucester*.
1646. Robert, *pts*. Richard, *Oxon*. John, *Worcester*. Maria.
1647. Bridges, *Essex*.
1648. Thomas, *Cambridge*. Thomas, *Lincoln*.
1649. Anne, *Durham*. John. Elias, *Middlesex*. Edward, *Worcester*.
1650. Mary, *Cambridge*. John, *Gloucester*. William, *Surrey*. Thomas, *Stafford*.
1651. William, *Surrey*. William, *Warwick*. Joseph, *Middlesex*.
1652. John, *London*. Mary, *London*. Christopher, *Lincoln*. Nicholas, *Lincoln*. Thomas. Mary, *Oxon*.
1653. Richard

1654. Thomas, *London.* Margaret, *Suffolk.* John, *Middlesex.*
1655. James, *Hertford.* Robert, *Northton.* Thomas, *London.* William, *London.* Robert, *London.* Mary, *Southwark.*
1656. Humphrey, *Warwick.* Tabitha, *Middlesex.* Edward, *Hertford.* John, *Essex.* Henry, *Cambridge.*
1657. Hercules, *Essex.* Edward, *Essex.* Thomas, *London.* John, *Durham.* John, *York.* Theodore, *Lincoln.* Martin, *York.*
1658. Catherine, *Wilts.* David, *York.*
1659. Marian. Miriam. Edward, *Stafford.* Joseph, *London.* Ann, *Newcastle.* Richard, *Derby.* Charles. John, *Northton.*
1660. Edward. Francis. John, *Dalton.* Robert, *Gloucester.* William.

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AND A LIST OF

WILLS OF "ARCHERS" IN THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY,

AT DOCTORS' COMMONS, LONDON.

Year.	Name.	County or City.	Year.	Name.	County or City.
1632	Lawrence Archer	Essex	1651	Joseph Archer	Middlesex
1634	John Archer		1653	Richard Archer	Devon
1638	Francis Archer	London	1655	Thomas Archer	London
1640	Robert Archer		1655	William Archer	London
1640	Richard Archer	Leicester	1655	Robert Archer	Northampton
1642	Richard Archer		1656	John Archer	Essex
1643	Edward Archer	Middlesex	1657	Theodore Archer	Lincoln
1645	John Archer		1657	Martin Archer	York
1646	Richard Archer	Oxford	1657	John Archer	York
1648	Thomas Archer	Cambridge	1657	John Archer	Durham
1649	Edward Archer	Worcester	1657	Edward Archer	Essex
1650	Thomas Archer	Stafford	1657	Thomas Archer	London
1650	Thomas Archer	Stafford	1658	David Archer	York
1651	William Archer	Surrey	1659	Richard Archer	
1651	William Archer	Warwick	1660	Robert Archer	Gloucester

Year.	Name.	County or City.
1660	William Archer	
1660	John Archer	Devon
1661	Thomas Archer	Cambridge
1661	—— Archer	Bedford
1661	Joseph Archer	Surrey
1661	William Archer	London
1661	Joseph Archer	London
1661	Francis Archer	London *
1662	Thomas Archer	
1662	John Archer	London
1662	Christ^{r}. Archer	Lincoln
1662	Nicholas Archer	Lincoln
1663	John Archer	
1664	William Archer	Hertfordshire
1665	Ruben Archer	
1666	Simon Archer	
1666	James Archer	
1666	Martin Archer	
1670	Joseph Archer	London
1671	—— Archer	
1672	John Archer	
1672	John Archer	
1672	Thomas Archer	Essex
1672	Peter Archer	Middlesex
1673	William Archer	London
1674	James Archer	
1674	Benjamin Archer	
1676	John Archer	Norfolk
1677	John Archer	
1678	Henry Archer	
1678	John Archer	London
1679	William Archer	
1679	Richard Archer	Southampton
1680	John Archer	London
1681	Valentine Archer	
1681	Lamond Archer	Middlesex
1682	—— Archer	Essex
1686	—— Archer	Middlesex
1686	Thomas Archer	Southampton
1686	—— Archer	Cambridge
1687	Francis Archer	*
1687	Francis Archer	Wilts
1688	John Archer	
1688	John Archer	London
1688	Edward Archer	Southampton
1689	John Archer	Essex
1690	Nicholas Archer	*
1690	Walter Archer	
1690	Francis Archer	London *
1690	Richard Archer	Gloucester
1691	George Archer	Middlesex
1691	Abraham Archer	
1693	Samuel Archer	
1693	John Archer	Middlesex
1693	George Archer	London
1693	George Archer	London
1693	Ezekiel Archer	Surrey
1695	Richard Archer	Middlesex
1695	William Archer	Northampton
1696	Richard Archer	Surrey
1696	Peter Archer	Ely
1697	Joseph Archer	
1697	John Archer	Middlesex
1697	John Archer	Middlesex
1699	Thomas Archer	Hertfordshire

1. Will of Charles Archer of . . . . dated 26 March, prov. 7 Oct. 1659. Testator mentions his children, John, Anne, Charles, Richard (his Executor), and Joseph. He mentions also his land on the North Lessome, and leaves a legacy to Charles, son of John Archer.

2. Will of Joseph Archer, citizen and goldsmith of St. Leonard's, Foster Lane, London, dated 25 May, prov. 13 June, 1659. Mentions his wife, but without name; his children generally; his cousins, Anne Wilson, Jane and Susan Moore; his *cousin* Mary, dau. of his bro. John; his brother Robert (and *his* son Robert). Bequests to the poor of the parish of St. Leonard's and of Snelston, co. Derby.

Witnesses, Francis and Benjamin Archer.

3. Will of John Archer of St. Martin's in the Fields, London, 1682. Money to the poor of the parish thro' Dr. Tennison. Rest of his estate to wife Bridget, executrix. Witnesses—Dorothy Goffe, Henry Hughes, Richard Baleson.

In 1687 his brother, Edward Archer, is mentioned after the probate of the Will.

(Decimo octavo die mensis Januarij, Anno Dni. 1687, ant. Com°. Edwardo Archer, &c).

4. The Will of Edward Archer of Edgeware, co. Middlesex, yeoman, date 21 Oct. 1641, prov. 20 March, 1642. His sisters—1. Winifred (unm.). 2. Katherine, relict of Wm. Edlin of Hatchend. 3. Elizabeth, m. to John Lamb of Hendon. His executors—1. John Haley of Boramwood, and 2. Henry Haley of London, both sons of his brother-in-law.

5. Will of Thomas Archer of London, citizen, date Nov. 3, 1654, pro. Feb. 8, 1654-5. His wife Katherine; his sons—1. Thomas; 2. John; 3. Edward. Property in Christ Church, near St. Nicholas Charttes, London. His godsons, Thomas Archer, son of William Archer of Cheston, and Thomas, son of Peter Archer of Hatfield.

6. Will of Thomas Archer of St. Dionis, Backchurch, London, date 14 Feb. pro. 11 March, 1654. His brother and sister, Mathias Archer, and Elizabeth Maunder. The following are also styled his brothers—1. Alexander Hicks (three children, John, Ann, and Elizabeth). 2. Ananias Bayliffe (four children, Thomas, Ann, Sarah, Elizabeth). His cousin, Sara Upton. His sons—1. Edward; 2. William; daughter "Mary."

7. Will of John Archer, clericus of —— (obit.), date 17 April, 1649, prov. 3 Mar. 1649. His wife Susanna; his son, under age; his brothers—1. Theophilus; 2. Francis. Two brothers are mentioned, one a scholar at Rotterdam, the other in New England.

This Will, which is either very loosely written, or perhaps very incorrectly copied, is

brief, and appears to have been taken down from testator's lips by one Philip Nye, and by him signed; and a commission was issued to the widow Susanna. It does not commence in the usual manner, but begins, "I have £1500." &c. &c. "The scholar at Rotterdam" occurs once or twice, also "the brother in New England;" but without specifying either by name. The copy of the will is so unintelligibly expressed, that it is difficult, although very short, to ascertain its meaning with any degree of perspicuity.

8. Will of Peter Archer, dated June 27, 1665, adm. 1671, mar. 21. He is described as a mariner of the good ship Mary, upon the high seas. He was formerly of Edmonton, co. Middlesex, and died unm.

9. William Archer of Godstone. His Will dated 17 Aug. and prov. 17 Oct. 1650. His wife Dorothy, and his children, William, Alice, Mary, John, and Richard, are mentioned. All the latter were under 22 years of age at the date of the Will. Edward Archer, a subscribing witness.

10. Will of William Archer (or Archar), of Newington, co. Surrey. Will dated 26 Jan. prov. 31 Jan. 1650-1. Testator mentions his sister Abigail (m. to —— Morris), his wife Joan, his dau. Elizabeth, and his sons-in-law, Geo. and Wm. Moore.

Archer in Cornwall.

1. The Archers of Lizard were a very ancient and honourable race, which became extinct in the male line in the time of King Edward IV., when the heiress married Levelis of St. Burian, a gentleman of an ancient Cornish family, which can be traced back certainly, to the year A.D. 1020.[1]

The Archers of Lizard were connected by marriage, in 1340, with the families of "Trewren" and "Matthews" of Penetenny, which latter became extinct in 1700.

In the church of St. Burian, the Archer arms occur, in old carved woodwork, amongst the quarterings of other families.

2. Archer of Lizard:—[2]

[1] Lysons' Magna Britannia.
[2] Burke; Lysons; and Sims' Heralds' Visitations, Harl. MS. 4031, fo. 79.

John Archard m. Alice, dau. of John Penros.

John Archard de Lizard m. Alice, dau. of Jo. Beachamp, of Bynner.

John Archer.

3. John Archer (lineage uncertain) represented Helston in Parliament, temp. Hen. VI.

After this period the name of Archer does not occur in any of the public records or registers of Cornwall till the year 1640, when the burial in London of a certain Joseph Archer is entered.

4. Archer of Trelaske.—The founder of this family was John Archer, Rector of Carhayes, to which he was instituted, 1644.

LINEAGE.—John Archer, Rector of Carhayes, had a son, Nicholas, who inherited from his uncle, Richard Archer of St. Kew, all his property, but dying without issue, he bequeathed his property to the eldest son of his brother Edward.

This Edward Archer m. 1683 Judith Swete, and his son m. Sarah, co-heir of John Addis of Whiteford. The estate of Trelaske came into the Archer family, by the bequest of William Addis, in 1741, he having inherited it from John Addis, who had purchased it in 1703.[1]

The manor of Trelawney came into the family by purchase in 1791.[2]

Archer in Dorsetshire, Wilts, Devon.

1. A monument in All Saints Church, Dorchester, has this inscription: "Gilbertus Edwardus Archer, M.D. Ob. Maii 22, 1747, æt. 47."

2. "Johes le Archer" (35 Hen. 3, *vide* Cal. Inquis.) "Farlegh. dim. car. terr. in Clarendon Forest, Wilts."

[1] Brit. Mus. [2] Lyson.

3. A few extracts from the Parish Register of *Swindon*, in the 17th century :—

Mary, daughter of Guy Archer, baptized July 23, 1682.
Arthur, son of Richard, buried Sept. 12, 1682.
Richard ——— buried Dec. 28, 1682.
Guy, son of Guy, baptised Feb. 24, 1685.
Richard Archer and Briget Emmit married Feb. 20, 1687-8.
Richard, son of Richard, baptized Jan. 3, 1688-9.
Ann, daughter of Richard, baptized June 6, 1692.
Mary, daughter of Guy, buried Sept. 30, 1698.
Guy ——— buried Sept. 25, 1700.
Mary Archer, sen., buried Dec. 14, 1701.
Richard ——— buried May 6, 1700-1.

4. Will of Edward Archer of Marston Mersey, co. Wilts, yeoman; dated 1 Nov. 1694, prov. 4 July, 1696. He mentions his sister, Jane Wise, and his wife Joan. His kinsman, Francis Simms of Kelmscott, co. Oxon, and his daughters, Rebecca, wife of Thos. Hall, Ann, and Martha.

5. Will of John Archer of Staple-hill, Ilsington, co. Devon, yeoman; date 28th Dec. 1659, prov. 18 July, 1660. Leaves to his sons houses and lands in the county of Devon. His wife "Mary." His sons—1. John. 2. William. 3. Nicholas. 4. James. 5. Richard. His daughters—1. Margaret. 2. Charity. 3. Susan.

Archer in Ireland.

The origin of the settlement of this family in Ireland is somewhat obscure.

1. Richard Shee (*vide* Burke's[1] O'Shee of Garden Morris), by his wife Rose Archer, was father of—

Richard, who married Joan Archer, and had daughters, whereof—1. Marion, m. Thomas Archer. 3. Onor, m. John Archer (1616). 5. Cicely, m. John Archer.

2. Mortagh Donovan, of Ballymone, m. 1696, Lucy Archer.[2]

3. John E. Redmond, Esq. of Newton Lodge, Wexford, m. a Miss Archer, daughter of Dr. Archer.

[1] Burke's Landed Gentry. [2] Ibid.

N.B.—Richard Shee (great-grandson of an Earl of Desmond) married Rose Archer, as above. Their son Richard married *Joan*, daughter and heiress of Elias Archer of Ross, by his wife, Marion Delahyde.

4. William Archer of Wexford[1] (son of John Archer of Jamaica[2] by Dorothea, second daughter of the Rev. John (3rd) Harvey of Barghy Castle,) m. Mary Holt Waring, by whom he had issue—

1. Dorothea Archer, m. Mr. Johnson.
2. Hester Archer, m. Bell.
3. Margaret Archer, m. Mr. Hughes.
4. Johanna Archer, d. unm.

5. Major-General Archer married a daughter of the second Lord Ventry.

6. Archer, Walter, jun.,[3] depositions taken before, &c., 1571, Aug. 21.

Archer in Scotland.

There were few families of this name in Scotland until a recent period.

1. A certain Thomas Archer, a Presbyterian clergyman, wounded at Muirdyke (1685), was, notwithstanding Lord Drumlarig's intercession, executed on the failure of Argyle's rebellion.[4]

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2. From Decrees of Commissariat of Edinburgh, vol. xix. 4to. January, 1588:—

Robert, Janet, John, Andrew, and Alexander Archear, discerned executors to umquhile, William Archear, their father, and (6 Jan. 1588) David Scrimgeour of Fordie Cationer for executors.

Ibid. John Archear, in the Haltoun of Loncardie; his Will (10 July, 1576) recorded.

Ibid. Elspeth Archear, sumtyme spous to John Barnes of Balwaddec, "*servand*"[5] to Mr. Robert Creichtoun of Eliok (Will), Dec. 23, 1577.

Ibid. Elspeth Archear, sumtyme spous to Johne Barnes of Balwaddeth, servand to Mr. Robt. Creichtoun[6] of Eliok, 28 May, 1582 (Will).

Ibid. Grissell Archear, spous to John Creychtoun, in the hill of Strathworde, within the par. of Monydie and Sheriffm. of Perth, 10 July, 1601 (Will).

[1] Burke's Landed Gentry.
[2] *Vide* Archer of Barbadoes.
[3] S. P. O. Ireland.
[4] Fox's Life of James II.
[5] N.B.—"Servand," at that period, had a wide signification—gentlemen retainers and tenants were so styled. John Barnes had, moreover, a *territorial* designation.
[6] Family of the "Admirable Crichton."

3. From Degrees of Commissariat of Lauder.

18 Feb. 1663, Will of Beatrix Archer, spous to James Galbraith, in Broomdykes.

7 Jan. 1668, Will of Elspeth Archer, spous to John Martine, in Catheraw.

25 Oct. 1669, George Archer, elder, in Calfward.

6 April, 1681, Thos. Archer, in Eist Gordon.

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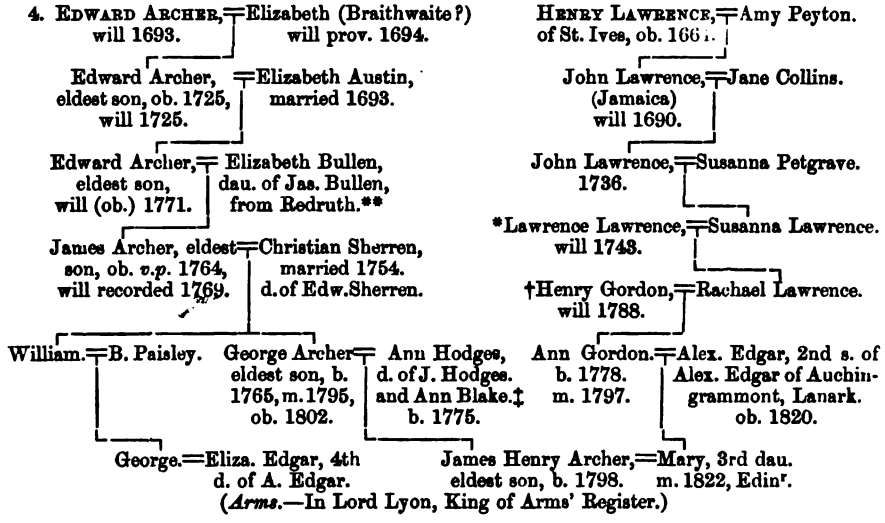
4. Edward Archer, will 1693.
Elizabeth (Braithwaite?) will prov. 1694.
Henry Lawrence, of St. Ives, ob. 166[illegible]
Amy Peyton.
Edward Archer, eldest son, ob. 1725, will 1725.
Elizabeth Austin, married 1693.
John Lawrence, (Jamaica) will 1690.
Jane Collins.
Edward Archer, eldest son, will (ob.) 1771.
Elizabeth Bullen, dau. of Jas. Bullen, from Redruth.**
John Lawrence, 1736.
Susanna Petgrave.
James Archer, eldest son, ob. v.p. 1764, will recorded 1769.
Christian Sherren, married 1754. d. of Edw. Sherren.
*Lawrence Lawrence, will 1743.
Susanna Lawrence.
†Henry Gordon, will 1788.
Rachael Lawrence.
William.
B. Paisley.
George Archer eldest son, b. 1765, m. 1795, ob. 1802.
Ann Hodges, d. of J. Hodges. and Ann Blake.‡ b. 1775.
Ann Gordon. b. 1778. m. 1797.
Alex. Edgar, 2nd s. of Alex. Edgar of Auchingrammont, Lanark. ob. 1820.
George.
Eliza. Edgar, 4th d. of A. Edgar.
James Henry Archer, eldest son, b. 1798.
Mary, 3rd dau. m. 1822, Edinr.

(*Arms.*—In Lord Lyon, King of Arms' Register.)

* His male issue failed. He was related to the family of William Penn, and was believed to have represented the family of Lawrence of Iver. For Henry Lawrence's origin, *vide* note, in Sir E. Brydges' edition of Milton's works.

† Son of Gordon, by his wife, Anne Taaffe, dau. of Christopher and Mary Taaffe, co Louth. *Vide* Wills in Jamaica, and of Mrs. Catherine Francklyn, of Glo'ster Place, Portman Square, London, 1831.—Prob. Ct.

‡ A descendant of one of Admiral Blake's brothers. *Vide* Will of Joseph Hodges of Jamaica, 1818.

** *Vide* Record Office, London, Barb., 15th Chas. II., John Bullen from Redruth, co. Cornwall.

N.B.—The Pedigree of Edward Archer (1693) may be traced elsewhere in this compilation.

Archer.

West-Indies, America.

During the seventeenth century the surname Archer was comparatively common to what it is at present; and in the older colonies of the West Indies, at the former period, there were many persons of the same name, though probably not of the same family. Amongst the principal christian names of these Archers may be noted, Peter, Leonard, Anthony, Edward, Robert, Thomas, and John; names which will be found on reference to the Bedford, London, Berkshire, Lincoln, and Worcester branches of the Warwickshire family.

The earlier Archers, in Jamaica, appear to have come from a parent-stock; probably settled in the neighbourhood of London, and likewise at Swindon.[1] It was not until about the year 1748, that a branch of the Barbadoes Archers emigrated to the larger island. In a Will, recorded in Jamaica, in 1769, mention is made by the testator, of his being the eldest son of his father, then residing in Barbadoes.

In the Records at Fetter Lane (London), may be seen a notice of the pardon, by Charles II. granted to John, afterwards Sir John Archer, then living in Barbadoes, and the preferment to a benefice (Hinton) in England, of Edward Acher, also exiled there.

[1] ARCHER PEDIGREE.

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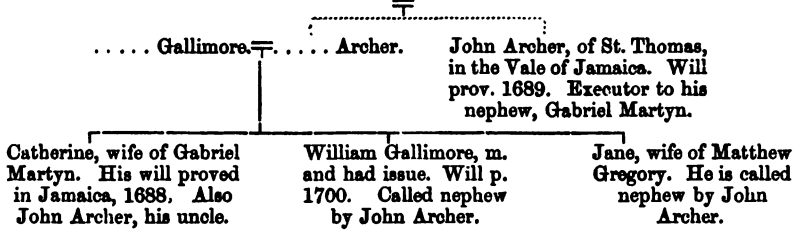
.... Archer.
..... Gallimore.
..... Archer.
John Archer, of St. Thomas, in the Vale of Jamaica. Will prov. 1689. Executor to his nephew, Gabriel Martyn.
Catherine, wife of Gabriel Martyn. His will proved in Jamaica, 1688. Also John Archer, his uncle.
William Gallimore, m. and had issue. Will p. 1700. Called nephew by John Archer.
Jane, wife of Matthew Gregory. He is called nephew by John Archer.

The descendants of the original Jamaica Archers appear to have founded families in the South of Ireland, and also about Dublin.

In the islands of Barbadoes and Jamaica, may be found many evidences of the fall and revival of old English families, who went thither during the political commotions of the seventeenth century, to avoid danger, to restore their fortunes, or to make them.

As some of these families again rose to opulence, they gradually returned to the mother-country; and, in the course of one or two generations, quietly "settled down"[1] amongst the landed gentry, or recruited, not only the Baronetage, but even the Peerage.

Perhaps as much was due to wealth as to ancestry. At any rate, there was a species of "*conservatism*" prevalent amongst those immigrants, that is almost unknown in more recently-settled colonies; and, indeed, this is not difficult to account for, when we consider the different classes, as well as motives, which produced the emigrants of the seventeenth, and of the nineteenth centuries.

In the former century, the West India Islands only received a portion of the political and other refugees, New England having been an equally favourite resort.

When the "members of the Opposition" (1641), says a distinguished historian[2] "began to despair of the fortunes of their party—to tremble for their own safety, and to talk of selling their estates and emigrating to America." He continues—"Many old and honourable families disappeared and were heard of no more, and many new men rose rapidly to affluence."

The Parochial and State Records of Barbadoes and Jamaica, prior to the year 1700, are full of distinguished names, and even titles; and from these, many desirable contributions to existing pedigrees, and family histories, might be made.[3]

Here we find the obscure and defaced monuments, rudely or handsomely sculptured, with the armorial devices of families, now scarcely remembered, but which were once well known as adherents of the Charleses, the 2nd James, or as followers of Cromwell, Here also are the quaint Wills of an expatriated gentry; the marriage of a noble

[1] 1800, Jan. 10. At Bath, John Gittens Archer (of Barbadoes) to Miss Vassal (daughter of Vassall of Milford, and formerly of Jamaica).

1801. At Bath, Colonel Archer, Foot Guards, to Miss Morgan. [2] Lord Macaulay.

[3] Names in the Peerage and Baronetage:—Molyneux, Thornhill, Alleyne, Codrington, Chamberlayne, Collingwood, Lascelles, Hawkins, Heywood, Knowles, Colleton, Orde, Blake, Young, Prevost, Price, Williams, Buller, East, D'Oyley, Dalling, Stapelton, Farnborough, Penrhyn, Seafield, Kenyon, Bath, Byron, &c. &c. &c.

lady;[1] or the "last testament," with its pious preamble, of a *reformed* and *retired* buccaneer. Here are bequests of "silver spoons"—of "my best sword and pistols"—"my small tortoiseshell box, set in gold," and such like items. Legacies to parents, children, or other relatives "in Ireland," "if they be still alive;" and many similar particulars, which indicate the state of society sufficiently intelligibly.

ARCHER—AMERICA.

1. Gabriel Archer, a voyager and writer.—"A relation of a voyage to the northern part of Virginia, performed by Capt. Gosnold, written by Mr. Gabriel Archer, who went the same voyage, A.D. 1602."—(*Vide* Harris's Voyages.)

2. Archer's Hope—A place on the Virginian coast, mentioned in Percy's Voyage.—(Harris's Voyages.)

3. Amongst the French Canadians of the Lower province, about Quebec and Montreal, there are several families of the original name, L'Archer; and in the Canadian Directory, so late as 1857, this name occurs, both amongst the laity and priesthood.

ARCHER—BARBADOES.

WILLS, BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, BURIALS, AND OTHER INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM PARISH REGISTERS AND OTHER SOURCES.

BAPTISMS.

29 June, 1652.	William, son of Leonard Archer.
29 April, 1661.	Margaret, daughter of Nicholas and Christian Archer.
26 Dec. 1686.	Thomas, son of Robert and Elizabeth Archer.
10 Feb. 1703.	Edward, son of Peter and Catherine Archer.
21 Oct. 1714.	Mary, Jane, and Elizabeth, 3 daughters of Joseph and Ann Archer.
16 Jan. 1718.	John and Joshua, sons of Peter and Catherine Archer.
20 July, 1740.	Two daughters of Leonard and Rebecca Archer, and of Peter and Jane Archer.
March, 1746.	Katherine, daughter of Leonard and Rebecca Archer.
5 July, 1747.	Goding, son of Geo. Archer.

[1] The Lady Isabella Byron Dec. 25, 1678, was married to Mr. Michelbourne, St. Michael, Barbadoes.

MARRIAGES.

Dec. 8, 1643.	Thomas Cripps and Sarah Archer.
July 22, 1653.	Richard Archer and Elizabeth Wilkinson.
July 18, 1667.	Mr. Leonard Archer and Mrs. Joan Davies.
Feb. 13, 1668.	Samuel Whitehead and Elizabeth Archer.
April 9, 1671.	Mr. Hugh Archer and Mrs. Dorothy Callum.
Dec. 26, 1678.	Robert Archer and Alice Shirley.
Dec. 4, 1681.	Richard Brewster and Sarah Archer.
Jan. 2, 1682.	Mr. Hugh Archer and Mrs. Margaret Oglesby.
Oct. 4, 1685.	Mr. Robert Archer and Elizabeth Ellisson.
Sept. 3, 1693.	Mr. Edward Archer and Elizabeth Austin.
Sept. 18, 1701.	John Archer and Ursula Coker.
June 19, 1708.	Joseph Archer and Ann Price.
Feb. 26, 1717.	Nathan Kirton and Mary Archer.
July 10, 1736.	John Heywood and Hannah Archer.
Dec. 24, 1737.	Leonard Archer and Rebecca Turney.
1750.	John Archer and Mary Griffith.
May 31, 1753.	Henry Walcott and Love Archer.
Feb. 21, 1754.	James Archer and Christian Sherren.[1]

BURIALS.

Jan. 18, 1675.	Thomas Archer.
Aug. 5, 1678.	John Archer.
Feb. 12, 1695.	Mary, daughter of Thomas Archer.
Mar. 25, 1717.	Ann, wife of Joseph Archer.
July 19, 1718.	Joshua, son of Peter Archer.
Feb. 10, 1742.	Peter Archer.
Feb. 10, 1745.	Peter Archer.

WILLS.

1675. Will of Thomas Archer; wife's name, Mary; children, Elizabeth, Peter, Thomas, Mary. Executors—Mr. Thomas Morris, Edward Harlestone, Mr. Richard Traviss. Witnesses—Geo. Walrond, T. Bromfield, N. Rice, W. F. Fforgison.

[1] An uncommon name. At St. Thomas' Parish, Barbadoes, is this entry in the Burial Register, 1761, May 11, the wife of Edward Sherren. In Malcom's "London" is noticed the monument of Sherr*ing*, vicar of Christ Church, who died Dec. 16, 1690.

1693. Will of Edward Archer, of par. St. Lucy and St. Philip; *wife*, Elizabeth; *sons*, Edward, Thomas, and John; *daughter*, Hannah; *grandchildren*, John, Elizabeth, and Mary Ashby. *Trustees*—John Brathwaite, Emmanuel Curteys, Ralph Weeks, Capt. Richard Brewster, Thomas Morris.

1710. Will of Thomas Archer; wife, Margaret; son, Robert, and a Posthumous child. Witnesses—Matthew Knowles, Henry Straughan, John Taylor.

1694. Will of Elizabeth Archer, relict of Edward Archer of St. Lucy and St. Philip, whose Will is entered 1693, as above. She is styled Elizabeth A. Archer.

1717. Will of Thomas Archer; his wife Ann, in New England.

1725. Will of Edward Archer; *wife*, Elizabeth; sons, Anthony, Edward, and John.

1740. Will of John Archer.

1743. Will of Peter Archer, jun.

1744. Will of Joseph Archer.

1746. Will of Peter Archer.

1753. Will of John Archer.

1753. Will of Edward Archer; wife, Alice; sons, Edward, John, Mervin, and Thomas.

1760. Will of George Archer.

1765. Will of Edward Archer; no sons.

1767. Will of Campbell Archer; no sons.

1768. Will of John Archer.

1771. Will of Edward Archer; wife, Elizabeth; *sons*, James (dead), Edward, William, Anthony; *daughter*, Love Archer; son-in-law, Henry Walcott.

OTHER RECORDS, NAMES OF PLACES, ETC.

At the Record Office, Fetter-lane, London, in a MS. book (Barbadoes), are the entries to the following effect:—

"1660. John Archer, Sergeant-at-law in Barbadoes, receives a free pardon, and in 1660 is appointed Justice of the Bench in England."

"1660. Carl. 2. Edward Archer of Barbadoes preferred to the living of Hinton, in England."[1]

The old Parish Registers of St. Lucy, Barbadoes, having been destroyed in a hurricane, all the records prior to 1755 have been lost.

[1] *Vide* "London and Surrey."

By "Wills," it appears that the Archers of St. Lucy and St. Philip were one and the same family.

In St. Lucy's parish is an estate of this family, now much reduced, called Carolina. Adjoining it is a picturesque bay and promontory, called "Archers."

The original house of the Archer family was destroyed during a hurricane.

Carolina estate was originally called *Cleburie*. It is a curious coincidence, that the Archers of Umberslade quartered the Arms of a family of this name.

The Archer estates in St. Philip's par. were called "*Archer's*," and "Foul-Bay-Brathwaite." They adjoined each other, and that of the Weekes family.

They had also other small properties in the island.

ARCHER—JAMAICA.

INFORMATION EXTRACTED FROM PARISH REGISTERS, AND OTHER SOURCES.

WILLS.

1663. John Archer. No son mentioned; four daughters, viz. Dorothy, Jane, and two others; sons-in-law, Matthew Gregory, W. Gallimore, and James Resbie.

1694. John Archer, Wife, Ann Coates; nine children; Hadley, a son-in-law.

1695. Joseph Archer of London. Daughter Jane.

1695. Anne Cradock, relict of Jos. Archer.

1699. Ann Archer. Relatives names, Wickfall, Hawkes, Martin, Wilkins.

1730. Thomas Archer, Wife "Grace," d. *s. p.*

1745. William Archer, H.M.S. Falmouth.

1747. James Archer, Wife Catherine Archer, d. *s. p.*

1771. John Archer. His brother William of Dublin. Other relatives, "Wall," "Wilkins."

1774. Thomas Archer, H.M.S. Ripon.

1769. James Archer; relatives names, Austin. Wife's name, Christian.[1] N.B.—She remarried and had a daughter, Gertrude Moore Street. Testator died 1764.

OTHER RECORDS.

1664. Grants of land to John Archer.

1664. „ „

[1] Christian, daughter of Edward Sherren (Barbadoes, St. Thos. Par.)

1665. Grants of land to John Archer.
1668. ,, ,,
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1684. ,, ,,
1686. ,, ,,
1687. Power of Attorney by James Archer.
1665. Grant of land to Lieutenant Thomas Archer.
1748. Grant of land to Anthony Archer, 300 acres.
1764. Grant of land to Richard Archer, 300 acres.
1751. Grants of land to John Archer.
1764. ,, ,,
1768. ,, ,,
1775. ,, ,,
1744. Grant of land to James Archer.
1745. Grant of land to John Archer.
1664. Conveyances of land to John Archer.
1676. ,, ,,
1678. ,, ,,
1681. ,, ,,
1682. ,, ,,
1684. ,, ,,
1686. ,, ,,
1744. Conveyance of land to James Archer.
1745. Conveyance of land to John Archer.
1754. Power of Attorney by John Archer (witness, Anthony Archer).

Other Estates of Barbadoes Archers.—Dublin Castle, Great Pond, Sion Hill, Pilgrim, Montpelier, Spring Mount, &c. &c.

James Archer, Secretary to Governor William Trelawney in 1768.

In 1655 (D'Oyley's MSS.) a Lieutenant Archer in Jamaica is mentioned.

BAPTISMS.

Feb. 24, 1760. James, son of James Archer and Christian his wife, ob. *inf.*
Feb. 27, 1760. Anthony Campbell, son of John Archer and Mary his wife.
Oct. 15, 1761. George, son of James Archer and Christian his wife.
27 Dec. 1771. John, son of Richard Archer and Hannah his wife.

MARRIAGES.

13 Feb. 1670. John Archer married Ann Hillgrove.
20 Aug. 1685. Thos. Archer married Catherine Fascel.
15 Aug. 1692. Joseph Archer married Anne Cradock.
22 June, 1725. John Archer married Rachel Bond.
17 July, 1726. Thos. Archer married Grace Stephenson.
19 May, 1787. Henry Archer and Amy Boyd Reynolds, relict of — Roxburghe, Esq.
25 Jan. 1790. Anth. Campbell Archer and Gertrude Tayler Tayler.
30 Jan. 1795. George Archer and Ann Hodges.[1]

[1] A daughter of John Hodges of Maxfield, by his wife, Anne Blake, whose relative, William Blake, was Speaker of the House of Assembly, and a descendant of a brother of Admiral R. Blake. John Hodges was one of a considerable family, whereof the members were owners of estates in St. Elizabeth, &c. Joseph, Andreise Joseph, Nathaniel, and Bonella Hodges (married to Mr. Pennant, circa 1738) were his relatives. Andreise Joseph Hodges was of the Inner Temple, of Eton, in Berks, and of St. Giles's Parish in London. He is so described in Letters of Administration.

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